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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

*Municipal Officers*

OF THE

*Town of Searsmont**Maine**For the Municipal Year**1945*

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# ANNUAL REPORT

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## MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

— OF THE —

### Town of Searsmont, Maine

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

1945

## TOWN OFFICERS

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### Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER      ERNEST O. SPROWL  
LAWRENCE ROBBINS  
Compensation—Town Wage Rate

### Treasurer

Harnet E. Knight  
Compensation, \$75 per annum

### Tax Collector and Constable

Ira J. Packard—2 1-4 per cent

### Moderator

Harold Nutter  
Compensation, Town Wage Rate Each Meeting

### Town Clerk

Alleine W. Adams  
Compensation, \$25 and Fees

### Road Commissioners

Clinton A. Butler      Don E. Lucas      Frank B. Fuller  
Compensation, Town Wage Rate

### School Committee

Josephene L. Aldus      Hiram R. Davis      Ethel Higgins  
Compensation, \$20 per year each

### School Superintendent

Merle S. Jones, for five-town district  
Searsmont's salary contribution, \$175.00

### Fire Warden and Inspector

R. B. Knight, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

### Health Officer

Ethel Higgins, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

A. W. Adams

### Constable

Ira J. Packard

**State of Maine  
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT  
Augusta**

February 19, 1946

Board of Selectmen  
Searsmont,  
Maine  
Gentlemen:

This letter acknowledges your request for an audit of the books and records of the Town of Searsmont for the 1945 municipal year.

It is practically impossible for us to complete audits for all of the towns who have requested our services this year in sufficient time for our audit report to be published in the Annual Town Report. The 92nd Legislature recognized this probability and enacted a law during its session which states in part, (Chapter 84, Public Laws of 1945):

"Such town report shall include the following excerpts from the last audit report:

- I. Letter of transmittal,
- II. Comments,
- III. Comparative Balance Sheet,
- IV. Statement of Departmental Operating Accounts, in condensed form,
- V. Analysis of Change in Net Surplus or Deficit, for the year,
- VI. Statement that complete audit report is on file in town office."

We are indeed sorry that we are unable to accommodate you, but know that you fully understand our position in the matter. We shall, however, make the report available at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,  
**FRED M. BERRY**  
**State Auditor**

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**State of Maine****STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT****Augusta**

September 27, 1945

Board of Selectmen  
Searsmont,  
Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 3, Revised Statutes of 1944 and at your request, the records of the town of Searsmont have been audited for the period February 4, 1944 to February 3, 1945 inclusive.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable in the circumstances and included all procedures which we considered necessary. Insofar as we can ascertain within the scope of our examination, the result discloses that the financial transactions of this town have been satisfactorily handled.

Comments and schedules prepared by Auditor Hawes are incorporated in this report. These should prove of interest to you.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Very truly yours,

FRED M. BERRY  
**State Auditor**

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## COMMENTS

To: Fred M. Berry, State Auditor  
From: Carl G. Hawes, Auditor  
Re: Audit of the Town of Sears mont

February 4, 1944 to February 3, 1945

An examination has been completed of the books of account and records of the Town of Sears mont for the Municipal year ended February 3, 1945.

Exhibits and schedules are submitted which, in our opinion, properly reflect the financial status of the town.

### Treasurer

All receipts as recorded were examined and found to have been correctly entered in the cash book. Deposits covering the receipts were checked to the bank statements and all monies received had been deposited in the bank.

Expenditures were made by check from warrants drawn by the Selectmen.

The cash balance reconciled with the bank statement at the close of the municipal year.

All recorded receipts on tax liens were found to have been applied against the proper items, while tax liens remaining unpaid and on file were examined in detail.

### Tax Collector

The 1944 tax commitment was compared with the records of the Assessors and after an adjustment of \$.54 was made, found in agreement. This commitment was accounted for by cash paid the Treasurer, abatements and discounts, or unpaid taxes as reflected on the records of the Collector.

Payments received and abatements allowed on prior years' unpaid taxes appeared to have been applied against the proper accounts.

Excise tax collections were checked from the copies of the receipts and the amounts specified had been deposited with the Treasurer.

### **Selectmen**

The records of the Selectmen were found to be in very good condition with invoices and payrolls on file to substantiate expenditures made.

### **General**

The outstanding note of \$750 was paid in full from the appropriation made at town meeting.

A \$3,000 note was issued during the year for the purchase of a tractor. This note, which was verified with the holder, remained outstanding at the close of the year.

Verification to the extent deemed necessary was made of the asset and liability accounts.

(Signed) CARL G. HAWES  
**Auditor**

## TOWN OF SEARSMONT

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**TOWN OF SEARSMONT**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

**Subsidiary  
Schedules:****ASSETS**

		February 3, 1945	February 4, 1944
<b>Cash:</b>			
1 General.....	3,224.18	4,204.34	
Impounded.....	24.57		
	-----	4,228.91	
Less—Reserve for Impounded .	24.57		
	-----	3,224.18	4,204.34
<b>Tax Accounts Uncollected:</b>			
2 Taxes.....	2,066.41	2,051.89	
3 Tax Liens.....	788.26	1,128.19	
	-----	3,180.08	
Less—Reserve for Col.....	197.07		
	-----	2,657.60	3,180.08
Total Assets.....	5,881.78		7,384.42

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable.....		4.90
4 Notes Outstanding.....	3,000.00	750.00
Total Liabilities.....	3,000.00	754.90

**SURPLUS ACCOUNTS**

Ex. D Departmental Balances			
Forward (net).....	1,931.61	3,118.61	
Ex. E Net Surplus.....	950.17	3,510.92	
	-----	2,881.78	6,629.52
Total Liabilities and Surplus Accounts	5,881.78		7,384.42

## ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET SURPLUS

Year ended February 3, 1945

Net Surplus—February 4, 1944 (Exhibit A) .....	3,510.91
Transactions affecting prior years:	
Credits:	
Gain—Tax Liens Redeemed .....	407.47
Reserve for Impounded Cash Adjusted... .	24.57
	432.04
Charges:	
Reserve for Tax Accounts .....	197.07
Abatements on Prior Years' Taxes..... .	61.64
	258.71
Net Credits for Prior Years..... .	173.33
	3,684.24
Transactions affecting current year:	
Operating Accounts—	
Charges—Departmental Balances (Exhibit D)	
Overdraft .....	1,328.90
Unexpended..... .	58.13
	1,270.77
Tractor Note .....	3,000.00
Abatements—1944 Taxes..... .	20.06
Discounts—1944 Taxes..... .	129.24
	4,420.07
Credits—	
Excise Tax .....	453.42
Overlay (Exhibit C) .....	357.36
Supplemental Tax (Exhibit C)..... .	86.22
1943 Tax Lien Costs .....	39.00
Payment on Note .....	750.00
	1,686.00
Net Charges for Current Year..... .	2,734.07
Net Surplus—February 3, 1945 (Exhibit A) .....	950.17

**REPORT OF ASSESSORS**

Real Estate, Resident.....	143,853.00
Real Estate, Non-Reisdent.....	72,999.00
	216,852.00
Personal Estate, Resident.....	41,295.00
Personal Estate, Non-Resident.....	1,485.00
	42,780.00
Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estate....	259,632.00

**EXEMPT**

Livestock and Poultry.....	4,436.00
Exempt Polls 32 at 3.00.....	96.00
	4,532.00

**ASSESSMENTS**

Polls 128 at 3.00.....	384.00
Real and Personal Valued at \$259,632.00 at .066.....	17,135.71
	17,519.71

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The complete report of the audit, as required by Chapter 80, Section 119, Revised Statutes of 1944, and amended by Chapter 84, Public Laws of 1945, is on file in the office of the Selectmen.

**SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

Real Estate Valued at 60.00 at .065....	3.96
Personal Estate 175.00.....	11.55
2 polls at 3.00.....	6.00
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	21.51
Total Tax Assessed.....	17,541.22

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**SELECTMEN'S REPORT****SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED  
BALANCE**

	<b>Overdraft</b>	<b>Unexpended</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Abatements.....	217.86		
Roads and Bridges.....	520.38		
State Aid Road Construction.....	39.64		
Special Road Construction.....	10.58		
Mothers Aid.....	266.67		
Road Patrol.....	183.30		
Rental, Fuel and Office Supplies.....	19.86		
Old Cemeteries and Flags.....	14.31		
Supplement Aid to O. A. A.....	45.66		
Fire Equipment.....	.08		
Service Plaque.....	1.90		
Overlay and Supplementary Commitment.....		305.65	
Excise Tax.....		456.85	
Contingent.....		186.77	
Poor Relief.....		7.61	
White Pine Blister Rust.....		8.48	
Town Officers Salaries.....		12.38	
Collectors Commission.....	70.77		

## TOWN OF SEARSMONT

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Special Resolve Road Maintenance.....	87.98	
Net Overdraft to Surplus.....		183.75
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	1,320.24	1,320.24

## TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

Treasurer's Receipts .....	27,818.17	
Paid out on Warrants.....		26,168.01
February 6, Cash Balance.....		1,650.16
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	27,818.17	27,818.17

## APPROPRIATIONS

Voted at Town Meeting.....	14,119.78	
State Tax.....	2,131.47	
County Tax.....	984.32	
Overlay.....	284.14	
Supplementary Commitment.....	21.51	
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May 17, Commitment.....	17,519.71	
Supplementary Commitment.....		21.51
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	17,541.22	17,541.22

## TOWN PROPERTY

Six Schoolhouses.....	3,725.00	
Road Machines.....	175.00	
Snow Fence.....	475.00	
Two Safes.....	50.00	
One-fifth Interest in Weights and Measures .....	30.00	
One-half Interest in five gallon measure.....	7.00	

Adding Machine.....	50.00
Fire Truck and Equipment.....	1,600.00
Sander.....	20.00
Typewriter.....	25.00
Hand fire pumps.....	65.00
Tractor and Snow Plow.....	3,000.00
	9,222.00

## OVERLAY

Overlay.....	284.14
Supplementary Assessment.....	21.51
Carried to Summary.....	305.65
	305.65

## EXCISE TAX

Excise Tax.....	456.85
Carried to Summary.....	456.85
	456.85

## ABATEMENTS

By abatement voted at the Annual Town meeting at 2 per cent discount on cash payment of taxes ending July 10, 1945.....	126.18
Abatements for 1944.....	37.68
Abatements for 1945.....	54.00
Carried to Summary.....	217.86
	217.86

## STATE TAX

State Tax 1945.....	2,131.47
State Treasurer Check Returned.....	2,131.47
Paid Treasurer of State.....	2,131.47
State School Fund.....	2,131.47
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	4,262.94
	4,262.94

## COUNTY TAX

County Tax 1945.....	984.32
August 25, Paid County Treasurer.....	984.32
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	984.32
	984.32

## 1943 TAX ACCOUNT

1943 Tax Uncollected.....	10.07
February 6, Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	10.07
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	10.07
	10.07

## 1944 TAX ACCOUNT

1944 Tax Uncollected.....	2,056.34
Collected and Credited.....	2,018.25
February 6, Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	38.09
	-----
	2,056.34
	2,056.34

## 1945 TAX ACCOUNT

May 17 Commitment.....	17,519.71
Supplementary Tax.....	21.51
Collected and paid to Treasurer.....	15,562.69

By Abatements.....	180.18
February 6, Balance Uncollected to	
1946.....	1,798.35
	-----
	17,541.22
	17,541.22

**Resident Unpaid Taxes**

	Paid Since Books Closed
Beveridge, Elmer S.....	41.61
Beveridge, Malvina A.....	99.00
Banks, Richard.....	29.37
Bowley, Bernice A.....	24.75
Bowley, Robert P.....	3.00
Bowley, Donovan.....	97.35
Byron, Guy R.....	82.83
Choate, Arland.....	3.30
Drummond, Bertrand A.....	125.40
Gerrish, William H.....	84.84
Griffin, Edrich C.....	106.62
Harriman, Hilda A.....	19.80
Harriman, Lawrence S.....	3.00
Heal, Augustus F.....	272.21
Heal, Dalton.....	14.52
Hermansön, H. Percy.....	27.00
MacKenzie, Charles and Elinor.....	88.51
MacKenzie, Bertrand.....	21.48
Morang, Maurice.....	3.00
Parker, Loring and Vestie.....	9.00
Richards, Cora M.....	13.20
Shaw, Stephen.....	30.00
Smith, Harry Jr.....	6.60
Tenney, Eugene S.....	28.71
Tenney, Trafton H.....	33.00
Thompson, Charles H. and Mildred E.	36.00
	3.00
	28.71
	20.00

Victor Grange P. of H.....	19.80	
Wilson, Wentworth A.....	61.38	
Byers, Robert.....	3.00	3.00

**Non-Resident Unpaid Taxes**

Cunningham, Elleridge.....	19.80	
Dodge, Ira C.....	77.20	77.20
Dyer, Lou D.....	33.00	
Edgecomb, Ederick.....	9.90	
Graves, Eugene W.....	4.95	
Heath, Warren A.....	59.40	59.40
Hustus, Elwin F. and Malcolm E. Wood.....	9.90	
Longley, Mahlon.....	39.60	
Moore, Etta.....	3.30	
Miller, Roland K. and Elinor M.....	.86	
Pierpoint, Arthur.....	36.30	
Rowe, Anson H. and Sadie M.....	13.20	
Titcomb, Norman E.....	2.64	
Wells, Georgie S.....	42.90	
Wood, Jesse.....	1.71	
Walton, Harry.....	61.71	

**TAX LIENS 1933**

1933 Tax Liens.....	2.97	
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....		2.97
	2.97	2.97

**TAX LIENS 1934**

1934 Tax Liens.....	17.75	
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....		17.75
	14.75	14.75

## TAX LIENS 1935

1935 Tax Liens.....	45.45
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	45.45
	45.45

## TAX LIENS 1936

1936 Tax Liens.....	11.70
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	11.70
	11.70

## TAX LIENS 1937

1937 Tax Liens.....	16.34
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	16.34
	16.34

## TAX LIENS 1938

1938 Tax Liens.....	53.80
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	53.80
	53.80

## TAX LIENS 1939

1939 Tax Liens.....	63.23
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	63.23
	63.23

## TAX LIENS 1940

1940 Tax Liens.....	91.68
Sold and Credited.....	3.10
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	88.58
	-----
	91.68
	91.68

## TAX LIENS 1941

1941 Tax Liens.....	86.52
Sold and Credited.....	3.13
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	83.39
	-----
	86.52
	86.52

## TAX LIENS 1942

1942 Tax Liens.....	123.74
Sold and Credited.....	69.91
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	53.83
	-----
	123.74
	123.74

## TAX LIENS 1943

1943 Tax Liens.....	278.08
Sold and Credited.....	244.58
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	33.50
	-----
	278.08
	278.08

## TAX LIENS 1944

1944 Tax Liens.....	1,251.84
Sold and Credited.....	686.94
Balance Uncollected to 1946.....	564.90
	-----
	1,251.84
	1,251.84

## TAX LIENS FOR 1933

This Property for Sale

J. Fred Marden.....	2.97	2.97
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## TAX LIENS FOR 1934

For Sale

Ida I. Cobb.....	14.75	14.75
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## TAX LIENS FOR 1935

For Sale

George Butler.....	6.90
Levi Campbell.....	4.20
Ida Cobb.....	15.00
Arthur S. Fuller.....	12.30
Ida Gilman.....	2.85
Irvin Rankin.....	4.20

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45.45

## TAX LIENS FOR 1936

For Sale

George Butler.....	7.30
Levi Campbell.....	4.40

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11.70

## TAX LIENS FOR 1937

For Sale

Fred Lucas Heirs.....	9.04
George Butler.....	7.30

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16.34

TAX LIENS FOR 1938  
For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant Heirs.....	42.10
Abbie M. Bryant Heirs.....	4.40
Alvin Scott Gray.....	7.30
	53.80

TAX LIENS FOR 1939  
For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant Heirs.....	4.40
Abbie M. Bryant Heirs.....	7.30
Donahue and Payson.....	24.70
Fidelphus Flagg Heirs.....	2.95
Alvin Scott Gray.....	4.98
Flora E. Hunt.....	18.90
	63.23

TAX LIENS FOR 1940  
For Sale

Flora Hunt.....	20.70
Edgar T. Bradbury.....	24.54
Donahue and Payson.....	27.10
Fidelphus Flagg Heirs.....	3.10
Alvin Scott Gray.....	5.34
Obed Fuller Heirs.....	4.70
Obed Fuller Heirs.....	3.10
	88.58

TAX LIENS FOR 1941  
For Sale

Frank Cooper, Lot 8.....	1.83
Frank Cooper, Lot 9.....	1.56

Frank Cooper, Lot 10.....	1.83
Frank Cooper, Lot 11.....	1.56
Elmore Milling Company.....	27.50
George M. Fuller Heirs.....	1.83
Daniel Higgins Heirs.....	14.50
Almond J. Wright.....	24.90
Obed Fuller.....	4.75
Obed Fuller.....	3.13
	83.39

**TAX LIENS FOR 1942**  
**For Sale**

Eugene Tenney.....	14.30
George M. Fuller Heirs.....	1.81
Daniel Higgins Heirs.....	13.90
Almond J. Wright.....	23.82
	53.83

**TAX LIENS FOR 1943**  
**For Sale**

Eugene S. Tenney.....	19.80
Daniel Higgins Heirs.....	13.70
	33.50

**TAX LIENS FOR 1944**  
**Resident**

Josephine Aldus.....	38.90
Lou D. Dyer.....	35.50
Hilda Harriman.....	21.90
Bertrand A. Drummond.....	96.70
Bertrand MacKenzie, Lot 1.....	4.22
Bertrand MacKenzie, Lot 2.....	37.54

Charles and Elinor MacKenzie, Lot 1	37.00
Charles and Elinor MacKenzie, Lot 2	45.02
Charles and Elinor MacKenzie, Lot 3	12.04
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 2.....	35.50
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 3.....	8.30
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 4.....	35.50
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 5.....	3.20
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 6.....	8.30
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 7.....	11.02
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 8.....	8.30
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 10.....	4.76
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 11.....	8.30
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 13.....	32.10
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 24.....	18.50
Augustus F. Heal, Lot 25.....	8.30

**Non-Resident**

Daniel Higgins Heirs.....	15.10
Arthur Pierpont .....	38.90

564.90

**SNOW PLOW AND TRACTOR LOAN**

The First National Bank, Belfast.....	3,000.00
Paid November 19, 1945.....	600.00
Paid January 30, 1945.....	400.00
Due Feb. 6, First National Bank.....	2,000.00
	3,000.00
	3,000.00

**OUTSTANDING LOAN**

Appropriation.....	1,000.00
Paid First National Bank.....	1,000.00
	1,000.00
	1,000.00

## INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation.....	50.00
Balance from 1944.....	103.88
Paid Nov. 19, 1945 First Nat'l Bank..	60.00
Feb. 6, Balance Unexpended to 1946..	33.88
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	153.88
	153.88

## TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation.....	750.00
Distributions:	
Harold Nutter.....	4.96
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	10.48
Ira Packard.....	8.00
Ethel Higgins.....	39.00
W. G. Drinkwater.....	351.57
Treasurer of State Dept. of Audit..	56.32
Josephine Aldus.....	20.00
A. W. Adams.....	25.00
Harriet E. Knight.....	75.00
H. R. Davis.....	20.00
Ernest O. Sprowl.....	68.40
Lawrence Robbins.....	58.89
Balance Unexpended to Summary.....	12.38
	-----
	750.00
	750.00

## RENTAL, FUEL AND OFFICE SUPPLIES

Appropriation.....	300.00
Distributions:	
Liberty & Belfast Tel. & Tel. Co....	25.67
Loring, Short & Harmon.....	24.50
Marks Printing House.....	27.05
Ira J. Packard.....	20.91

Ethel Higgins.....	1.92
City Job Print.....	162.90
Hutchins Bros.....	1.40
Harriet E. Knight.....	10.24
Ernest Ratten.....	4.74
R. B. Knight.....	1.28
A. W. Adams.....	4.25
Sprowl Bros.....	35.00
Overdraft to Summary.....	19.86
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	319.86
	319.86

## CONTINGENT

Appropriation.....	100.00
Lewis Robinson.....	20.00
R. B. Knight.....	20.00
John Adams.....	4.77
Merton E. Wood.....	30.00
Howard W. Holmes.....	36.85
State Treasurer.....	29.82
Merton Wood.....	51.75
State Treasurer, Dog Tax Refund.....	42.38
State Treasurer, R. R. Tax.....	1.30

## Distributions:

Field and Quimby.....	7.00
Carrie G. Howes, Register.....	7.10
Florence S. Sprowl.....	5.58
Maine Municipal Assn.....	30.00
Ira J. Packard.....	37.69
First National Bank.....	8.76
Dr. Irving Tuttle.....	2.50
W. G. Drinkwater.....	4.00
Harold P. Cobb.....	3.72
Perley Allen.....	11.85

A. W. Adams.....	18.60
Ernest O. Sprowl.....	13.30
Balance to Summary.....	186.77
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	336.87
	336.87

## COLLECTORS COMMISSION

Appropriation.....	450.00
<b>Distributions:</b>	
Ira J. Packard, Collector of Taxes ..	379.23
Balance Unexpended to Summary.....	70.77
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	450.00
	450.00

## ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation.....	3,000.00
State Treasurer.....	7.00
Town of Appleton.....	17.50
Town of Appleton.....	100.00
Town Tractor.....	396.00
E. O. Sprowl.....	69.70

**Distributions:**

F. B. Fuller, Commissioner:	
Merrick Bryant.....	24.88
Frank Fuller.....	290.92
Howard Clark.....	129.54
Freeman Wooster.....	16.12
Wilfred Cross.....	14.78
Leslie Wentworth.....	24.60
Edgar Marriner.....	4.96
Lewis Fuller.....	3.72
Willis Gerrish.....	47.20
Horace Gerrish.....	2.48

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Alton Hammond.....	62.56
Nathan Pease.....	76.34
Albert Pease.....	41.06
Roland Woodbury.....	44.10
Herbert Thomas.....	46.94
Alton Pease.....	65.88
State Highway Commission.....	280.30
Ernest Griffeth.....	23.52
J. A. Robbins and Son.....	39.37
Treas. of State (Shovel Rental) ..	87.50
Alton French.....	14.30
Sprowl Bros.....	7.45
Dean and Eugley.....	1.76
Town Tractor.....	144.00
Clarence Gelo.....	11.50
Sprowl Bros.....	27.30
Mrs. Chas. Vanner.....	36.60
	1,569.68

## C. A. Butler, Commissioner:

C. A. Butler.....	261.01
Roscoe Ryan.....	82.50
Chas. MacKenzie.....	41.72
Chester Butler.....	18.46
Maynard Cushman.....	36.50
C. L. Corson.....	60.76
Merrill Butler.....	91.80
Harold Heal.....	19.36
Leo Corson.....	4.03
C. A. Butler.....	42.40
Boyd Whiting.....	32.20
Albert Marriner.....	31.08
Clifford Marriner.....	18.28
Sprowl Bros.....	33.31

Cooper and Co.....	44.44
Town Tractor.....	252.00
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	1,070.12

## D. E. Lucas, Commissioner:

Frank Jackson.....	2.74
Elden Maddocks.....	1.24
Francis Bartlett.....	75.90
Frank Jackson.....	137.53
Don Lucas.....	105.54
Alton Pease.....	89.23
Alton Hammond.....	72.94
Frank Fuller.....	73.39
Albert Pease.....	35.18
Perry Thomas.....	38.02
Nathan Pease.....	41.16
Ernest Griffeth.....	49.27
Howard Clark.....	9.92
Clarence Gelo.....	69.75
State Treas. (Shovel).....	265.90
Jeptha Buck.....	10.51
Clarence Drinkwater.....	6.04
Palmer Garage.....	1.35
Sprowl Bros.....	20.68
Maynard Hills.....	3.63
Theodore Tenney.....	15.33
Cooper and Company.....	2.50
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	1,127.75
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	54.19
Pond Road.....	18.76
Gasoline and Grease.....	26.48
Gravel and Material.....	66.70

Rental of State Shovel, Credit Transferred from Unimproved Road	
Maintenance.....	176.90
Overdraft to Summary.....	520.38
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	4,110.58
	4,110.58

## STATE AID ROAD

Balance from 1944 .....	799.50
State Treasurer.....	983.20
State Shovel, Credit.....	647.50
Distributions:	
F. G. Wooster.....	99.84
Merrick Bryant.....	106.74
Blanchard Bryant.....	14.18
L. A. Wentworth.....	29.74
Willis Banks.....	133.32
Byron Carr.....	5.28
Richard Lewis.....	16.96
Arthur Sprowl.....	102.00
Howard Clark.....	78.10
Alton Hammond.....	179.75
Ernest Griffeth.....	174.06
Alton Pease.....	37.75
Frank Fuller.....	132.43
Ira Proctor.....	10.56
Mrs. Chas. Vanner.....	306.80
W. G. Drinkwater.....	9.24
F. G. Wooster.....	29.28
Clayton Poland.....	46.92
Ernest Sprowl.....	6.04
Berger Metal Culvert Co.....	235.32
Albert Pease.....	34.63

Collector of Internal Revenue.....	33.40
Cost of State Shovel.....	647.50
Overdraft to Summary.....	39.64
	2,469.84
	2,469.84

## THIRD CLASS ROAD NO. 4 RECONSTRUCTION

Transferred from Third Class Road

Maintenance.....	23.04
State Shovel Credit.....	33.90.
Distributions:	
Willis A. Banks.....	13.82
Byron A. Carr.....	7.92
Howard Clark.....	9.24
Frank Fuller.....	25.34
Clarence Gelo.....	41.22
Alton Hammond.....	21.72
Carol Banks.....	12.08
Treasurer of State.....	678.91
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	.10
Cost of State Shovel Rental.....	33.90
Due from State.....	787.31
	844.25
	844.25

Received since book closed, from State Treasurer..... 787.31

## THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	631.00
Balance from 1944.....	279.96
Distributions:	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	6.06
Frank Fuller.....	171.79
Howard Clark.....	60.16

Chas. Corson.....	15.60
Sprowl and Robbins.....	1.50
Clarence Gelo.....	2.00
State Sand and Gravel Co.....	4.70
Alfred Shepard.....	14.78
Raymond Gelo.....	1.24
Kenneth Shepard.....	14.08
Allied Chemical and Dye Corp.....	58.04
Stephen Shaw.....	1.32
Samuel Payson.....	1.32
Transferred to Third Class Road	
Reconstruction.....	23.04
Balance to 1946.....	435.33
	910.96
	910.96

## SPECIAL RESOLVE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	175.00
Distributions:	
Robbins and Sprowl.....	47.35
Frank Fuller.....	25.35
Howard Clark.....	11.22
Byron Wood.....	3.10
Balance Unexpended to Summary.....	87.98
	175.00
	175.00

## ROAD PATROL

Appropriation.....	500.00
Paid Treasurer of State.....	683.30
Overdraft to Summary.....	183.30
	683.30
	683.30

## CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation.....	100.00
Balance from 1944.....	532.14

## Distributions:

Merrick Bryant.....	11.22
Freeman Wooster.....	6.60
Leslie Wentworth.....	2.64
Blanchard Bryant.....	5.94
W. G. Drinkwater.....	4.62
Richard Lewis.....	1.32
Fred Little.....	17.82
Alfred Shepard.....	33.79
Merton Wood.....	7.92
Robert Byers.....	10.56
Richard Lewis.....	4.81
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	.20
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	524.70
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	632.14
	632.14

## SPECIAL RESOLVE ROAD CONSTRUCTION

State Shovel Credit.....	191.55
Distributions:	

Willis A. Banks.....	58.56
Clayton Poland.....	36.86
Arthur Sprowl.....	6.80
Howard Clark.....	11.88
Ernest Griffeth.....	12.08
Frank Fuller.....	66.00
A. P. Shepard.....	15.84
Alton Hammond.....	42.25
Clarence Drinkwater.....	34.70
F. G. Wooster.....	26.31

Bancroft and Martin Rolling		
Mills Company.....	108.53	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	1.40	
Cost of Shovel Rental.....	191.55	
Overdraft to Summary.....		10.58
Due from the State.....		408.45
Due from Bancroft & Martin Rolling,		
Mills Company .....		2.17
	612.75	612.75
Received since books closed:		
From Treasurer of State.....		408.45
From Bancroft & Martin Rolling		
Mills Co. ....		2.17

## MAINTENANCE OF UNIMPROVED ROADS

State Shovel Credit to Shovel Rental		
Invoices to Roads and Bridges.....		176.90
State Shovel Credit.....		135.90
State Treasurer.....		163.63
Distributions:		
Willis Banks.....	34.40	
Clayton Poland.....	5.28	
Alton Pease.....	49.50	
Clarence Drinkwater.....	70.28	
Alton Hammond.....	41.68	
Frank Fuller.....	43.16	
Clinton Butler.....	5.28	
Elden Maddocks.....	17.16	
Theodore Tenney.....	36.10	
Jeptha Buck.....	34.39	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	3.30	
Cost of State Shovel Rental.....	135.90	
	476.43	476.43

## STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation.....	138.00
Central Maine Power Co.....	138.00
	138.00

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## SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation.....	500.00
Town Tractor.....	378.45
Town Sander.....	10.07
Jeptha Buck.....	79.46
James Robbins and Son.....	2.68
Town Sander.....	8.75
Town Tractor.....	480.68
Town of Appleton.....	120.00
State Credit, Plowing Black Road.....	134.00
State Treasurer.....	1,302.65

## Distributions:

Fred Elmes.....	5.27
Albert Buzzell.....	2.79
E. S. Hook.....	2.51
James Bartlett.....	5.05
Clark and Wilcox Co.....	115.50
Town of Montville.....	78.75
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	54.21
Charles MacKenzie.....	28.23
Harold Heal.....	1.86
Boyd Whiting.....	24.16
Edwards and Company.....	58.50
Willis Banks.....	13.92
Clayton Poland.....	10.56
Frank Fuller.....	455.69
Alton Hammond.....	23.08
Alton Pease.....	18.12

Clarence Drinkwater.....	111.92
Arthur Sprowl.....	3.40
Howard Clark.....	126.26
Treasurer of State.....	98.60
Robbins and Sprowl.....	21.00
Consolidated Steel Syndicate.....	59.41
Eastern Tractor & Equipment Co... .	111.45
C. A. Butler.....	18.90
Alton Sweet.....	2.31
Merrick Bryant.....	8.58
Sprowl Bros.....	300.92
Gardner Hemenway.....	10.01
Blanchard Bryant.....	9.57
Town Tractor.....	602.48
Willis Gerrish.....	169.10
Roscoe Ryan.....	28.00
Ernest O. Sprowl.....	137.88
B. M. Clark.....	3.00
Fox and Ginn Co.....	.99
Richard Lewis.....	2.64
Town Sander.....	11.63
Lawrence Cushman.....	19.53
Samuel Payson .....	4.96
Clyde Ripley.....	9.77
Hale Sparrow.....	71.88
George Thomas.....	35.66
Roland Fuller.....	8.22
F. G. Kendall.....	42.00
Forest Brown.....	8.68
Harland Simmons.....	1.55
Lee Sprowl.....	3.72
Frank Jackson.....	9.59
Don Lucas.....	2.48
R. B. Knight.....	36.34
M. E. Cushman.....	48.55
A. A. Towle.....	6.60

Donald Howard.....	1.55
State Sand and Gravel Co.....	121.88
Edward Knight.....	8.00
John Howard.....	31.50
Warren Hart.....	4.96
Obed Hart.....	5.58
State Credit, Plowing Black Road .....	134.00
Overdraft to 1946.....	336.57
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	3,353.25
Appropriation.....	3,353.25
Overdraft from 1944.....	550.78
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	550.78
	550.78

NOTE: On the preceding account, \$2,311.12 was spent for 1944-45 snow removal. The remainder, \$1,042.13, having been spent for 1945-46.

#### OLD CEMETERIES & FLAGS

Balance Unexpended from 1944.....	30.42
<b>Distributions:</b>	
F. D. Jones.....	18.00
Freeman Wooster.....	7.59
Merrick Bryant.....	7.59
W. G. Drinkwater.....	9.57
H. P. Cobb.....	1.98
Feb. 6, Overdraft to Summary.....	14.31
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	44.73
	44.73

#### POOR RELIEF

Appropriation.....	200.00
<b>Cora Richards Account:</b>	
R. B. Knight.....	192.39

Feb. 6, Unexpended Balance to Summary.....	7.61
	200.00 . . . . .      200.00

## SUPPLEMENT TO OLD AGE AND BLIND ASSISTANCE

Appropriation .....	550.00
Estate of Flora Hunt .....	3.03

## Account No. 1:

George Clements.....	190.00
Seth H. Read, M. D.....	6.00
City Drug Store.....	7.63
	203.63

## Account No. 2:

Abbie Greer.....	125.71
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## Account No. 3:

George Clements.....	252.00
Seth H. Read, M. D.....	6.00
City Drug Store.....	1.35
Lawrence Robbins.....	5.00
	264.35

## Account No. 4:

Irving Tuttle.....	5.00
Overdraft to Summary.....	45.66
	598.69 . . . . .      598.69

## MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation.....	175.00
Balance from 1944.....	5.83
Ethel Thompson Account:	
State Treasurer.....	277.50
Annie L. Tenney Account:	
State Treasurer.....	170.00
Overdraft to Summary.....	266.67
	447.50
	447.50

## VETERANS' AID

Balance from 1944.....	312.76
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	312.76
	312.76

## PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

Appropriation.....	55.00
Paid Treasurer of State.....	55.00
	55.00

## COMMON SCHOOLS ACCOUNT

Appropriation.....	3,700.00
Balance from 1944.....	60.81
Lytle E. Thurston.....	15.00
State School Credit.....	1,256.47
Treasurer of State.....	198.63
Lytle E. Thurston.....	6.00
Distributions:	
Lillis Goodwin.....	340.60
Lovicy Littlefield.....	446.30

Glennys Gibson.....	222.40
John Seekins.....	30.00
Louise Robbins.....	6.00
Lolile Powell .....	12.00
Edna Newell.....	266.56
Maynard Cushman.....	1,365.00
Emma Bragg.....	323.80
Central Maine Power Co.....	10.76
Chesley Richardson.....	20.00
Rodger Jackson.....	17.00
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	229.60
State Treasurer (Teachers Treas. Dept.).....	21.00
Town of Montville.....	68.00
Marion Cushman.....	460.80
Maud Brown .....	10.00
Jasper Rawley.....	33.04
Horace Ripley.....	5.00
Merton Wood .....	51.75
Vernon Bagley.....	28.00
May Ann Peavey.....	305.16
Harleth Davis.....	117.45
W. G. Wood .....	180.00
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	666.69
	5,236.91
	5,236.91

## TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation.....	300.00
Balance from 1944.....	41.64
 Distributions:	
The A. N. Palmer Co.....	1.97
J. L. Hammett Co.....	4.34
American Book Co.....	73.00

World Book Co.....	1.89
Scott, Foresman and Co.....	5.49
The MacMillan Co.....	58.23
Ginn and Co.....	13.13
The L. W. Singer Co.....	.90
Webster Publishing Co.....	27.75
Beckley Card Co.....	26.13
Paper Crafters.....	35.98
Howard and Brown.....	1.60
Edward E. Babb and Co.....	29.86
Gledhill Bros. Inc.....	9.96
D. C. Heath and Co.....	2.96
Silver Burdett Co.....	26.13
Merle S. Jones.....	8.85
Central Maine Power Co.....	20.16
Allyn and Bacon.....	6.50
American Education Press.....	3.75
Everett Hook.....	2.37
Loring, Short and Harmon.....	4.15
Overdraft to 1946.....	23.46
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	365.10
	365.10

## SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS AND INSURANCE

Balance from 1944.....	187.32
<b>Distributions:</b>	
Field & Quimby, Ins. (Union, North, and Ghent Schoolhouses).....	61.88
Clayborn Stickney (North School- house).....	32.50
Merle S. Jones (North Schoolhouse)	18.00
R. B. Knight (North Schoolhouse)..	22.63
R. B. Knight (Village Schoolhouse)	24.12

A. O. Parmenter (Village School-house).....	4.94
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	23.25
	187.32
	187.32

## SECONDARY TUITION

Appropriation.....	300.00
Balance from 1944.....	65.10
State School Credit.....	875.00
Distributions:	
City of Belfast.....	716.22
Town of Appleton.....	100.00
Town of Liberty.....	622.40
Overdraft to 1946.....	198.52
	1,438.62
	1,438.62

## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Appropriation.....	175.00
Balance from 1944.....	1.71
Merle S. Jones.....	159.96
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	16.75
	176.71
	176.71

## FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation.....	50.00
Balance from 1944.....	58.82
Distributions:	
Justin A. McCarthy.....	87.00
Moody's Garage.....	9.90
Harriet E. Knight.....	12.00
Overdraft to Summary.....	.08
	108.90
	108.90

## FIRE DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	100.00
George Skinner.....	5.00
Fire Department.....	33.17
A. Barnsley.....	5.00
Distributions:	
R. B. Knight.....	18.61
Balance Unexpended to 1946.....	124.56
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	143.17
	143.17

## BONDS FOR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriation.....	20.00
Balance from 1944.....	2.50
Distributions:	
Field and Quimby.....	22.50
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	22.50
	22.50

## WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST

Appropriation.....	200.00
Distributions:	
Lawrence S. Colby.....	71.38
William Eamon.....	67.84
Richard M. Oxton.....	4.96
Chester A. Gray.....	20.70
Fred W. Hooper.....	15.74
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	10.90
Balance Unexpended to Summary.....	8.48
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	200.00
	200.00

## SERVICE PLAQUE

Appropriation.....		50.00
<b>Distributions:</b>		
J. C. Curtis, Inc.....	4.25	
W. E. Hamilton.....	1.55	
Fred Wiley .....	6.38	
Merrick Bryant.....	4.96	
Jesse Thomas .....	1.50	
Richard Lewis.....	21.50	
Frank Fuller.....	11.76	
Overdraft to Summary.....		1.90
	51.90	51.90

## RESOURCES

Cash on hand, Feb. 6, 1946.....	1,650.16	
Due from State On Third Class Road Reconstruction.....	787.31	
Due from State on Special Resolve Road.....	408.45	
Estimate of Reimbursement from State on Snow Removal.....	1,100.00	
<b>Due from Tax Collector:</b>		
1943 Tax.....	10.07	
1944 Tax.....	38.09	
1945 Tax.....	1,798.35	
Tax Liens, Town Property.....	467.54	
1944 Tax Liens.....	564.90	
		6,824.87

## LIABILITIES

The First National Bank, Belfast, Loan	2,000.00	
Snow Removal.....	1,721.61	
Road and Bridges.....	306.57	

Town Officers Salaries.....	68.06
Third Class Road Maintenance.....	16.00
Supplement to Old Age Assistance.....	19.00
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	4,131.24
Assets More Than Liabilities.....	2,693.63

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand, Feb. 2, 1945.....	3,224.18
Ira J. Packard, 1945 Tax.....	15,562.69
Ira J. Packard, 1944 Tax.....	812.73
Ira J. Packard, 1945 Excise Tax.....	374.04
Ira J. Packard, 1946 Excise Tax.....	82.81
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	20,056.45

State Treasurer:

Snow Removal 1944-45.....	1,302.65
Bank Stock Tax.....	29.82
Refund Road and Bridge Account.....	7.00
Refund Dog Tax.....	42.38
Refund 1945 R. R. and Tel. and Tel. Tax.....	1.30
Check Returned.....	2,131.47
State School Aid.....	198.63
State Aid Road.....	983.20
Road Improvement Fund.....	163.63
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	4,860.08

Town Tractor.....	1,255.13
Town Sander.....	18.82
Jeptha Buck Tractor Hire.....	79.46

Town of Appleton Tractor Hire.....	237.50
J. A. Robbins and Son.....	2.68
	1,593.59
E. O. Sprowl, Reimbursement State Shovel.....	69.70
R. B. Knight, Civilian Defense Material.....	20.00
Fire Dept., Balance transferred to Town.....	33.17
Estate of Flora Hunt.....	3.03
Lytle Thurston, Tuition Priscilla Thurston.....	21.00
Geo. Skinner, Pumping out well.....	5.00
Albert Bardsley, Pumping out well....	5.00
Town Treasurer, check returned.....	.12
	157.02

#### Tax Lien Account Receipts

A. F. Heald— Same .....	283.97
Stuart Farrington—Same.....	48.90
Basil Pearse—Same.....	28.70
Don Lucas—Same.....	86.10
Geo. H. Martens—Same.....	75.70
Harold Heald—Same.....	83.10
C. A. Butler—Same.....	32.38
Louise A. MacKenzie—Same.....	87.80
Hilda Harriman—Same.....	10.49
B. A. Drummond—Same.....	86.90
Frank Cooper—Same.....	46.46
Chas. and Elinor MacKenzie—Same..	43.13

873.63

**Town Property**

Lewis Robinson—Same.....	20.00
A. P. Shepherd—Same.....	127.80
John Adams, Ralph Bryant Property	11.00
M. A. Wood—Same.....	81.75
Howard W. Holmes—Same.....	36.85
	277.40
<hr/> Total Receipts.....	27,818.17
Warrants Drawn.....	26,168.01
<hr/> Cash Balance on Hand, Feb. 7, 1946..	1,650.16

HARRIET E. KNIGHT

**Treasurer**

**REPORT OF TOWN CLERK****—Deaths—**

Under the provisions of Chapter 320 of the Public Laws of 1945 the birth and marriage records will no longer be published in the Annual Town Report. The Deaths will continue to be published as usual. The Maine Municipal Association concurs in this statement.

**1945            DEATHS 1945 AND 1946**

March 2—Moses A. Fowler, died in Belmont, buried in Searsmont, 90 years, 3 months, 17 days.

March 25—Francis E. Buzzell, died in Belfast, buried in Searsmont, 60 years, 3 months, 2 days.

May 1—Joseph A. Donnell, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 59 years, 19 months, 29 days.

May 2—Elmer E. Thurston, died in Searsmont, buried in Montville, 61 years, 2 months, 29 days.

May 3—Eugene A. Jones, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 98 years, 6 months, 12 days.

May 29—Mrs. Erma C. Marriner, died in Belfast, buried in Searsmont, 31 years, 2 months, 25 days.

July 22—Burton S. Hunt, died in Searsmont, buried in Camden, Maine, 78 years, 6 months, 28 days.

September 1—Charles A. Fuller, died in Appleton, buried in Searsmont, 83 years, 2 months, 17 days.

October 3—Maude E. Muzzy, died in Waterville, buried in Searsmont, 76 years, 9 months, 8 days.

October 9—Julia E. Levenseller, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 63 years, 7 months, 8 days.

October 20—Burton C. Paul, died in Portland, Maine, buried in Searsmont, 81 years, 0 months, 14 days.

October 22—Dalton E. Heald, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 75 years, 7 months, 26 days.

November 6—Leslie S. Marriner, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 84 years, 4 months, 14 days.

November 23—Bernice Gillcrest, died in Boston, Mass., buried in Searsmont, 39 years, 1 month, 24 days.

1946

January 5—Charles A. Wentworth, died in Searsmont, buried in Searsmont, 82 years, 11 months 11 days.

**Died Elsewhere, Buried Elsewhere, But Born in Searsmont**  
1945

January 6—William A. Meader, died in Auburn, Maine, buried in Auburn, Maine, 57 years, 5 months, 15 days.

March 21—Hamet Meader, died in Lewiston, buried in Belfast, Maine, 59 years, 10 months, 26 days.

July 30—Frank W. McCready, died in Montville, buried in Freedom, 8 years, 7 months, 25 days.

September 30—Samuel B. Haskell, died in Bangor, buried in Camden, 77 years, 4 months, 14 days.

October 12—Tracy D. Smith, died in Belfast, Maine, buried in Belfast, Maine, 61 years, 0 months, 23 days.

October 18—Lena C. Grinnell, died in Camden, Maine buried in Camden, Maine, 57 years, 8 months, 19 days.

November 25—Flora B. Ames, died in Camden, Maine, buried in Matinicus, Maine, 59 years, 1 month, 2 days.

December 19—Lillian M. Upham, died in Bath, Maine, buried in Weston, Mass., 71 years, 4 months, 8 days.

### PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

World War II has ended but the war being waged against diseases will never end. It is one continuous struggle and only by education and cooperation of the entire population can we ever hope to approach a maximum healthy community. However, we have made a good stride toward such a goal through the health activities of the past year.

The following is a brief summary of the report of the Public Health Nurse for the year 1945:

During the year, 28 visits have been made to the town. While in your community, your Public Health Nurse made 15 visits to expectant mothers; 39 visits to mothers of infants and 38 visits to mothers of pre-school children. 4 visits have been made to children with crippling conditions and 1 child was admitted to the Crippled Children's Services.

Schools have been visited and problems discussed with the teachers. 37 children were given the Tuberculin Patch test and homes were visited regarding the positive reactions.

1 Child Health Conference was held. 11 infants and preschool children attended. 6 were given immunizations against diphtheria.

At this time the Public Health Nurse wishes to thank the officials of the town, Superintendent of Schools and teachers and others who helped for their cooperation through the year.

Let us not forget that more work can be accomplished through the cooperation and the establishment of a Health Council to assist in interpreting the Public Health Program to the community in order to have it adequately supported and used.

Let us plan a bigger and better Health program in your town in 1946.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION YOUNG R. N.  
**Public Health Nurse**

**State of Maine  
FOREST SERVICE  
Augusta**

January 7, 1946

Mr. Wyman G. Drinkwater,  
Chairman, Selectmen of Searsmont,  
R. F. D. No. 1,  
Union, Maine

Dear Mr. Drinkwater:

As you will be needing material for your annual town report soon, we are submitting a brief statement on the blister rust control work conducted in the town of Searsmont in 1945.

Our records show that Searsmont has 1,768 acres of pine bearing lands, necessitating a control area of 7,149 acres. In 1945, your town appropriated \$200.00 to cooperate with the State and Federal Government in this work, resulting in that 990 acres were worked over, from which 9,170 wild Ribes plants were destroyed, at a cost of \$773.44 (Town \$191.52, Fed. Gov. \$581.92). The work was under the direct supervision of our Federal Agent, Mr. H. G. Bradbury, of Belfast.

As there are 3,686 acres of pine bearing lands plus protective strip still needing initial control work, we trust that the town will see fit to raise a similar amount of money for the 1946 Ribes eradication season. All town funds made available will be supplemented on a liberal basis by State and-or Federal funds, as in the past.

Agent Bradbury will call on you in the near future to discuss 1946 work plans.

Very truly yours,

**W. O. FROST  
Pathologist**

## CHARLES RIPLEY POOR FUND

## Principal Fund:

Balance February 10, 1945.....	798.88
Interest May 1, 1945.....	3.99
Interest November 1, 1945.....	4.01
Deposit, November 9, 1945, 5th. dividend from City National Bank	46.86
	853.74

## Income Account:

Balance February 10, 1945.....	644.98
Interest May 1, 1945.....	2.99
	647.97
Withdrawn May 26, 1945.....	27.01
	620.96
Deposit Oct. 25, 1945 Income from bonds.....	97.50
Interest Nov. 1, 1945.....	3.10
Deposit Feb. 20, 1946 Income from bonds.....	97.50
	819.06

## OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Balance Feb. 10, 1945.....	1,820.27
Interest May 1, 1945.....	8.84
	1,829.11

Withdrawn, transferred to income acct.	
May 22, 1945.....	129.11
	1,700.00
Interest Nov. 1, 1945.....	8.50
	1,708.50
Balance Feb. 10, 1945.....	24.35
Interest May 1, 1945.....	.09
Deposit May 22, 1945 transfer from principal.....	129.11
Interest November 1, 1945.....	.66
	154.21
Withdrawn Nov. 9, 1945.....	154.21
S. A. Payson.....	6.00
Wyman Drinkwater.....	22.44
Wooster.....	10.89
Bryant.....	8.25
	47.58
	106.63
Withdrawn Nov. 28, 1945	
H. P. Cobb.....	24.51
	82.12

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Resources**

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1945.....	167.55
Raised by town.....	4,300.00
State School Fund.....	2,330.10
Ele. tuition, Lisle Thurston.....	21.00
Total.....	<b>6,818.65</b>

**Liabilities**

Elementary Teachers.....	2,781.67
Elementary Tuition, Montville.....	68.00
Secondary Tuition:	
Appleton.....	100.00
Belfast.....	716.22
Liberty.....	622.40
Conveyance.....	1,248.04
Janitor Service.....	202.00
Fuel.....	259.75
Text Books and Supplies.....	375.86
Total.....	<b>6,373.94</b>
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1946.....	<b>444.71</b>

**REPAIR**

Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1945.....	187.32
Paid on Order.....	164.07
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1946.....	<b>23.25</b>

**PROPOSED BUDGET**

Elementary Teachers.....	3,000.00
Music.....	150.00
Ele. Tuition.....	75.00
Sec. Tuition.....	1,500.00
Conveyance.....	1,400.00
Janitor Service.....	200.00
Fuel.....	275.00
Text Books and Supplies.....	300.00
 Total.....	 6,900.00

**SOURCES**

Use from Balance on Hand.....	300.00
State School Fund.....	2,300.00
To be Raised by the Town*.....	4,300.00
 Total.....	 6,900.00
*Raise for repair.....	175.00

I wish to show my appreciation to all those who have taken such an active part in furnishing the Village School with all of the playground equipment, table and benches. These things were a critical need. I also want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped with the hot lunch program. This is a fine program and is very much worthwhile from a health standpoint. These things do more toward making better citizens than much of the classroom teaching.

## ENROLLMENT TENDANCY

Town	Enrollment	Enrollment
	January 1, 1945	January 1, 1946
Appleton	99	115
Knox	67	70
Liberty	72	71
Montville	75	64
Palermo	66	73
Searsmont	78	80
Washington	86	91

By Grades in the Village and North Searsmont Schools:

	Sub.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Village	11	10	11	6	8	6	8	4	2
North	2	2	2	0	1	3	0	4	0

"There are many areas and some whole states where good schools cannot be provided without imposing an undue local tax burden on the citizens. It is essential to provide adequate elementary and secondary schools everywhere, and additional education opportunities for large numbers of people beyond the secondary level. Accordingly, I repeat the proposal of last year's Budget Message that the federal government provide financial aid to assist the states in assuring more nearly equal opportunities for a good education."

"As a part of our total public works program, consideration should be given to the need for providing adequate buildings for schools and other educational institutions. In view of current arrears in the construction of educational facilities, I believe that legislation to authorize grants for educational facilities, to be matched by similar expenditures by state and local authorities, should receive the favorable consideration of the Congress."

President Truman

"At this time many towns are making long-range plans for the improvement of school facilities. In some cases these plans contemplate repairs or additions to present structures. In other cases communities are attempting to formulate a building program which will more adequately serve the educational needs of the children. This active interest is most commendable. It is doubtless unnecessary to point out that this planning should be most thoroughly and carefully done, since in many instances the initial step in construction will, to a large degree, commit the town to an educational pattern for the next fifty or seventy-five years."

Commissioner Gilson

I have been trying to make plans in my own mind as to what we should do next year. I think we had better stay crowded and make plans for future construction to give our boys and girls the best school privileges we can afford.

Our old building needs: a new foundation, a cellar, furnace heat, flush toilets, a water supply, and wall insulation. What have we? Let's start by raising \$1,000.00 for a new four room modern building.

Last summer we painted the North Sears mont School inside and out, and it is now a very attractive building. I believe everyone is more than satisfied with the work.

Respectfully submitted,

MERLE S. JONES

**WARRANT****Waldo, ss.****State of Maine****To Ira J. Packard, a Constable of the Town of Searsmont  
in the County of Waldo, Greeting:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town of Searsmont qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble in Dirigo Hall in said Town on the Fourth day of March, A. D. 1946 at ten o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.
- Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for three years.
- Art. 8. To choose one or more Constables and a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the taxes.

Art. 9. To elect a Fire Chief, or to see what action the town will take in regard to the Fire Department.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Warden and Inspector.

Art. 11. To choose all other Town Officers.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the following ordinance to wit:

Be it ordained by the Inhabitants of the Town of Sears-mont, in the County of Waldo and State of Maine.

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company or corporation to kindle a fire on his or its own land or land of another, other than for household purposes without first obtaining a permit for same from two of the duly elected Selectmen of said Town.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to prosecution by the Courts of Waldo County and State of Maine, and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00; or by imprisonment for more than three months; or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Art. 13. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay men, teams, and trucks for the ensuing year.

13A To see what wages the Town will vote to pay trucks for plowing snow.

- 13B To see what the Town will vote to pay the Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- 13C To see what the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 13D To see what the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.
- 13E To see what the Town will vote to pay all other Town Officers.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to grant a two percent (2%) or more abatements on taxes for voluntary cash payments on or before July 10th.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$55.00 for public health nursing in Searsmont, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.—\$55.00.

Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways, and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chap. 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.—\$799.50.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to take the necessary funds from the State Aid joint fund, as recommended by the State Highway Commission, for the purpose of reconstruction and bituminous treatment of the mile of road extending from the Belmont town line to the schoolhouse bridge, this road being a part of State Highway No. 131.—\$1,200.00.

- Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the Town for State Aid Highway construction in excess of the amount required to meet State apportionments.
- Art. 19. To see what method the Town will vote to adopt for the care of the poor and needy of said town during the ensuing year.
- Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Poor Relief.—\$200.00.
- Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Supplement to Old Age Assistance and Blind.—\$550.00.
- Art. 22. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mothers Aid.—\$600.00.
- Art. 23. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for commission of Tax Collector.—\$400.00.
- Art. 24. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for salaries of Town Officers.—\$750.00.
- Art. 25. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Contingent Expenses.—\$100.00.
- Art. 26. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges.—\$2,500.00.
- Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to continue annual payment for Street Lights according to terms of original agreement with additional street lights at North Sears-mont.—\$138.00.

- Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$631.00 for the maintenance of improved third class road.—\$631.00.
- Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 in conjunction with the Special Resolve Allotment for the purpose of constructing the Slab City Bridge.—\$1,000.00.
- Art. 30. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to cut bushes on improved roads.
- Art. 31. To see if the Town will raise \$600.00 to pay share of State Road Patrol as required for the ensuing year.—\$600.00.
- Art. 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$336.57 to take care of the overdraft in the snow removal for 1945-46.—\$336.57.
- Art. 33. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for snow removal for the year 1946-47 and by what method snow shall be removed.—\$500.00.
- Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to pay on outstanding notes on snow removal equipment.—\$1,000.00.
- Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for rental, fuel and office supplies.—\$300.00.
- Art. 36. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Interest on Loans.—\$50.00.

Art. 37. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for support of common schools for the coming year.—\$4,300.00.

Art. 38. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the salary of School Superintendent.—\$175.00.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and set aside, until State and Federal funds are available, the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of constructing a new consolidated school building within the village limits, and to appoint a committee to investigate same.—\$1,000.00.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for fire equipment.—\$25.00.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to organize and maintain a Fire Department.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to maintain Special Resolve Road.—\$100.00.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Sections 62-63-64.—\$200.00.

Art. 44. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.—\$25.00.

- Art. 45. To see how much the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Bonds for the Collector and Treasurer.—\$22.50.
- Art. 46. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Ghent schoolhouse.
- Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans not exceeding a total of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) and to execute and deliver in the name of the Town its note or notes therefor, said loan or loans to be paid during the municipal year out of money raised by taxes during current year.
- Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.
- Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to continue to have a Budget Committee and if so to appoint same.
- Art. 50. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for schoolhouse repairs and insurance.—\$200.00.
- Art. 51. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Cemeteries and Flags.—\$35.00.

Art. 52. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen will be in session at Dirigo Hall at nine o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon on the Fourth day of March A. D. 1946 for correcting the Town Voting Lists.

Given under our hand, this Twenty-third day of February, A. D. 1946. A true copy attest:

Constable of Searsmont.

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER  
ERNEST O. SPROWL  
LAWRENCE ROBBINS

**Selectmen of Searsmont**









**STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS**

Year ended ~~July 3, 1945~~

	From 1943-44	Approp- riations	Depart- mental Receipts	0	CHARGES		BALANCES LAPSED			
					Total	Cash Disburse- ments	Other	Over- draft	Unex- pended	to 1945-46
<b>General Government:</b>										
Town Officers' Salaries.....		750.00			750.00	828.87		78.87		
Collector's Commission.....	75.92	300.00			375.92	393.49		17.57		
Contingent.....	222.92		47.65		270.57	216.52			54.05	2.50
Bonds-Collector & Treasurer.....		25.00			25.00	22.50				2.50
Rental, Fuel & Office Supplies.....		300.00			300.00	364.09		64.09		
	298.84	1,375.00	47.65		1,721.49	1,825.47		160.53	54.05	2.50
<b>Protection</b>										
Street Lights.....		138.00			138.00	138.00				58.82
Fire Equipment.....		100.00			100.00	41.18				58.82
		238.00			238.00	179.18				
<b>Health and Sanitation</b>										
Public Health Work.....		55.00			55.00	55.00				
<b>Highways and Bridges</b>										
Roads and Bridges.....	524.73	2,500.00			3,024.73	3,817.95		793.22		* 550.78
Snow Removal.....		2,000.00	1,335.34	4.00	3,469.34	3,886.12	134.00			799.50
State Aid Road.....		799.50			799.50					
Road Patrol.....		500.00			500.00	537.60		37.60		
Maint. Third Class Road.....	339.11	631.00			970.11	690.15				279.96
Maint. Special Resolve Road.....		150.00			150.00	189.29		39.29		
Pond Road.....	10.53				10.53	10.84		.31		
Cutting Bushes.....	317.70	300.00			617.70	85.56				532.14
	1,192.07	6,880.50	1,335.34	4.00	9,541.91	9,217.51	134.00	870.42		1,060.82
<b>Charities and Corrections</b>										
Poor-Town.....		200.00			200.00	292.50		92.50		
Poor-State.....			85.78		85.78	85.78				312.76
Veterans' Aid.....	212.76	100.00			312.76					5.83
Mothers' Aid.....	4.83	175.00			179.83	174.00				
Supplemental Aid to Old Age Assistance and Blind.....		400.00	132.69		532.69	709.22		176.53		
	217.59	875.00	218.47		1,311.06	1,261.50		269.03		318.59
<b>Education</b>										
Common Schools.....	612.56	3,000.00	1,195.48		4,808.04	4,747.23				60.81
Textbooks and Supplies.....	250.81	50.00			300.81	259.17				41.64
Secondary Tuition.....	253.03	300.00	529.07		1,082.10	1,017.00				65.10
Superintendent of Schools—Salary.....		175.00			175.00	173.29				1.71
School Repairs & Insurance....	210.43				210.43	23.11				187.32
	1,326.83	3,525.00	1,724.55		6,576.38	6,219.80				356.58
<b>Unclassified</b>										
White Pine Blister Rust.....		200.00			200.00	195.92				4.08
Service Plaque.....		150.00			150.00	178.92		28.92		
		350.00			350.00	374.84		28.92	4.08	
<b>Cemeteries</b>										
Old Cemeteries and Flags.....	16.90	35.00			51.90	21.48				30.42
<b>Interest</b>										
General Interest.....	66.38	75.00			141.38	37.50				103.88
<b>Municipal Indebtedness</b>										
Payment on Note.....		750.00			750.00	750.00				
<b>Special Assessments</b>										
State Tax.....		2,136.09			2,136.09	2,136.09				
County Tax.....		883.91			883.91	883.91				
		3,020.00			3,020.00	3,020.00				
Total All Departments.....	3,118.61	17,178.50	3,326.01	34.00	23,757.12	22,962.28	134.00	1,328.90	58.13	1,931.61
Exhibits	(A)	(C)	(B)			(B)		(E)	(E)	(A)











Annual  
Report

Town of  
**SEARSMONT**  
**MAINE**

For the Municipal Year

**1946**



# Annual Report

of the

## Municipal Officers

of the

# TOWN OF SEARSMONT

for the

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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER MAYNARD R. MARRINER  
RICHARD MERRIAM  
Compensation—Town Wage Rate

### Treasurer

Harriet E. Knight  
Compensation, \$75 per annum  
**Tax Collector and Constable**  
Ira J. Packard—2 1-2 per cent

### Moderator

Harold Nutter  
Compensation, Town Wage Rate Each Meeting

### Town Clerk

Alleine W. Adams  
Compensation, \$25 and Fees

### Road Commissioner

Frank B. Fuller  
Compensation, Town Wage Rate

### School Committeee

Josephene L. Aldus      Hiram R. Davis      Louise S. Robbins  
Compensation, \$20 per year each

### School Superintendent

Lewis L. Gray, for five town district  
Searsmont's salary contribution, \$175.00

### Fire Warden and Inspector

R. B. Knight, Compensation, \$50 per year

### Health Officer

Ethel Higgins, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

A. W. Adams

### Constable

Ira J. Packard

**State of Maine**

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT**

**Augusta**

January 29, 1947

Board of Selectmen  
Searsmont  
Maine

Gentlemen:

This letter acknowledges your request for an audit of the books and records of the Town of Searsmont for the 1946-47 fiscal year.

Due to previous commitments, it will be impossible for us to complete the audit prior to the date of your town meeting. However, we shall plan to arrange to do this work as soon as possible thereafter.

It is suggested that due consideration be given to Chapter 84, Section 1 of the Public Laws of 1945, which requires that the town report shall include certain excerpts from the last audit report.

We are indeed sorry that we are unable to accomodate you in this matter, but realize that you fully understand our problem. We shall, however, make the report available at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

FRED M. BERRY  
State Auditor

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**ANNUAL REPORT****State of Maine****STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT****Augusta**

July 22, 1946

Board of Selectmen  
Searsmont  
Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 3, Revised Statutes of 1944 and at your request, the records of the Town of Searsmont have been audited by Auditor Carl G. Hawes for the period February 4, 1945 to February 6, 1946 inclusive.

The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable in the circumstances and included all procedures which were considered necessary. Insofar as could be ascertained within the scope of the examination, the financial transactions of the town appear to have been appropriately handled.

Exhibits and schedules incorporated in this report impartially present the financial position of the town and the result of its operations for the period designated.

Comments and other data incorporated in this report may prove of interest to you. All of which is respectfully submitted,

Very truly yours,

**FRED M. BERRY**  
**State Auditor**

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**COMMENTS****Re: Audit of Accounts — Town of Sears mont****February 4, 1945 to February 6, 1946****Cash**

All receipts as recorded were checked and found to be correctly entered and the cash for same deposited in the bank. Expenditures were made by check from warrants drawn by the Selectmen. The cash balance reconciled with the bank statements at the close of the municipal year.

**Taxes Receivable**

The 1945 tax commitment was added and compared with the records of the Assessors and found in agreement. The balance due from the Collector on this commitment was represented by a list of unpaid taxes taken from the records. Cash receipts and properly authorized abatements on prior years' unpaid taxes appeared to have been credited against the proper accounts. Verification by mail was made of a representative number of tax accounts.

**Tax Liens**

Payments received on tax liens were found to have been applied against the proper items and those remaining unpaid were examined.

**Notes Payable**

During the year, notes outstanding were reduced \$1,000 by appropriations. There was \$2,000 outstanding in notes payable at February 6, 1946.

**Surplus**

At the close of the year, the unappropriated surplus amounted to \$1,981.11, as compared to an unappropriated surplus of \$950.17 at February 3, 1945. This represented an increase of \$1,030.94 during the year under examination, the detail of which may be found on Exhibit E of this report.

**General**

The 1945 excise tax receipts numbered 30 to 166 and the 1946 excise tax receipts numbered 1 to 35 were checked from the copies of the receipts and all monies were found to have been deposited with the Treasurer.

Vouchers were test checked to determine that they were just charges, correctly recorded, and charged to the proper account.

**TOWN OF SEARSMONT**

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**TOWN OF SEARSMONT**

**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

**ASSETS**

	February 6, 1946	February 3, 1945
Cash.....	1,650.16	3,224.18
Accounts Receivable (Schedule A-1)	1,197.93	
Taxes Receivable:		
Current Year (Schedule A-2) ...	1,804.71	2,056.34
Prior Years (Schedule A-2) ....	54.27	10.07
	1,858.98	2,066.41
Tax Liens (Schedule A-3).....	1,032.44	788.26
Less—Reserve for Losses.....	72.50	197.07
	959.94	591.19
Total—General Fund.....	5,667.01	5,881.78

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable (Schedule A-4) .	6.47	
Notes Payable (Schedule A-5)....	2,000.00	3,000.00
Total Liabilities.....	2,006.47	3,000.00

**SURPLUS ACCOUNTS**

Appropriated (Exhibit D).....	1,679.43	1,931.61
Unappropriated (Exhibit E).....	1,981.11	950.17
	3,660.54	2,881.78
Total—General Fund.....	5,667.01	5,881.78

## EXHIBIT D

## STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Year Ended February 6, 1946

								BALANCES*
								LAPSED
								Over-draft
<b>General Government</b>								
Officers' Salaries . . . . .		750.00				750.00	737.62	12.38
Collector's Com. . . . .		450.00				450.00	379.23	70.77
Contingent . . . . .		100.00	236.99			336.99	150.10	186.89
Bonds-Collector & Treasurer . . . . .		2.50	20.00			22.50	22.50	
Rental, Fuel & Office Supplies . . . . .		300.00				300.00	319.86	19.86
		2.50	1,620.00	236.99		1,859.49	1,609.31	19.86
								270.04
<b>Protection</b>								
Street Lights . . . . .		138.00				138.00	138.00	
Fire Dept. Maint. . . . .		100.00	43.17			143.17	18.61	124.56
Fire Equipment . . . . .		58.82	50.00			108.82	108.90	.08
		58.82	288.00	43.17		389.99	265.51	.08
								124.56
<b>Health and Sanitation</b>								
Public Health Work . . . . .		55.00				55.00	55.00	
<b>Highways and Bridges</b>								
Roads and Bridges . . . . .		3,000.00	590.20		3,590.20	3,933.68	176.90	520.38
Snow Removal . . . . .		500.00	2,382.74	134.00	3,016.74	3,219.25	134.00	*336.51

Snow Removal Over-draft	1944-45	*550.78	550.78	550.78	983.20	647.50	2,430.20	1,822.34	647.50	39.64
State Aid Road	799.50	500.00	500.00				500.00	683.30		183.30
Road Patrol										
Third Class Rcad No. 4 Reconstruction							844.25	844.25	810.35	33.90
Maint. Third Class Rd.	279.96	631.00	631.00				602.17	910.96	352.59	23.04
Special Resolve Road								602.17	421.20	191.55
Maint. Special Resolve Rd.	175.00							175.00	87.02	10.58
Unimproved Road										87.98
Cutting Bushes	532.14	100.00	100.00				163.63	312.80	476.43	340.53
								632.14	107.44	135.90
										524.70
	1,060.82	5,456.78	5,456.78	4,119.77	2,540.72	13,178.09	11,777.70	1,342.79	753.90	87.98
										723.52
<b>Charities</b>										
Town Poor		200.00					200.00	192.39		7.61
Veterans Aid		312.76					312.76			312.76
Mother's Aid		5.83	175.00				180.83	447.50		266.67
Supplemental Aid to Old Age Assistance & Blind		550.00	525.00	3.03	3.03		553.03	598.69	45.66	
	318.59	925.00					1,246.62	1,238.58		
									312.33	7.61
										312.76
<b>Education</b>										
Common Schools	60.81	3,700.00	1,476.10				5,236.91	4,570.22		666.69
Textbook & Supplies	41.64	300.00					341.64	365.10		*23.46
Secondary Tuition	65.10	300.00	875.00				1,240.10	1,438.62		*198.52
Supt. of Schools-Salary	1.71	175.00					176.71	159.96		16.75
School Repairs & Insurance	187.32							187.32	154.07	
	356.58	4,475.00	2,351.10					7,182.68	6,697.97	
										23.25
										484.71
<b>Unclassified</b>										
White Pine Blister Rust	200.00						200.00	191.52		8.46

Service Plaque.....	50.00		50.00	51.90		1.90
	250.00		250.00	243.42		1.90
<b>Cemeteries</b>						
Old Cemeteries & Flags	30.42		30.42	44.73		14.31
<b>Interest</b>						
On Loans.....	103.88	50.00	153.88	120.00		33.88
<b>Municipal Indebtedness</b>						
Payment on Notes...	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
<b>Special Ssessment</b>						
State Tax.....	2,131.47		2,131.47	2,131.47		
County Tax.....	984.32		984.32	984.32		
	3,115.79		3,115.79	3,115.79		
<b>Totals</b> .....	1,931.61	17,235.57	6,754.06	2,540.72	28,461.96	26,168.01
					1,342.79	1,102.38
						374.11
						1,679.43

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## ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET SURPLUS

Year ended February 6, 1946

Unappropriated Surplus—February 4, 1945	950.17
Adjustments affecting prior years:	
Credit—	
Reserve for Tax Accounts Adjusted.....	124.57
Charge—	
Abatements on Prior Years' Taxes.....	37.68
Net Adjustments.....	86.89
Adjusted Surplus.....	1,037.06
Increase:	
Overlay (Exhibit C).....	284.14
Supplemental Taxes.....	27.51
Excise Taxes.....	456.85
1944 Tax Lien Costs.....	84.00
Appropriation—Note Payable.....	1,000.00
Total Increase.....	1,852.50
Decrease:	
Appropriation Balances—	
Overdraft (Exhibit D).....	1,102.38
Unexpended (Exhibit D).....	374.11
	728.27
Abatements—1944 Taxes.....	54.00
Discounts—1944 Taxes.....	126.18
Total Decrease.....	908.45
Net Increase.....	944.05
Unappropriated Surplus—February 6, 1946 (Exhibit A)	1,981.11

The complete report of the audit, as required by Chapter 80, Section 119, Revised Statutes of 1944, and amended by Chapter 84, Public Laws of 1945, is on file in the office of the Selectmen.

## ANNUAL REPORT

## REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Real Estate Resident.....	\$161,427.00
Real Estate Non-Resident.....	84,743.00
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Personal Estate Resident.....	49,461.00
Personal Estate Non-Resident.....	900.00
	_____
	50,361.00
Total      Valuation of Real and Personal Estate....	296,531.00

## EXEMPT

Live stock and Poultry.....	4,132.00
Exempt Polls 32 at \$3.00.....	96.00
	_____
	4,228.00

## ASSESSMENTS

Polls 141 at \$3.00.....	423.00
Real and Personal Estate Valued at 296,531.00 at .066.....	19,571.08
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	19,994.08

## SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Real Estate Valued at 770.00 at .066.....	50.82
13 Polls at 3.00 .....	39.00
	_____
	89.82
Total Tax Assessed .....	20,083.90

**SELECTMEN'S REPORT****SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED****BALANCE**

	Overdrafts	Unexpended Balance
Abatements.....	222.93	
Town Officers Salaries.....	521.35	
Rental, Fuel and Office Supplies .....	21.26	
Collectors Commission.....	135.29	
Roads and Bridges.....	340.12	
Special Resolve Road Maintenance .....	17.85	
Road Patrol .....	159.70	
Maintenance of Unimproved Roads....	18.01	
Poor Relief.....	144.18	
Mothers Aid.....	16.50	
Fire Equipment.....	155.29	
Overlay and Supplementary Commitment.....		125.54
Excise Tax .....		960.43
Contingent.....		521.10
Interest on Loans .....		1.04
Street Lights.....		2.70
Old Cemeteries and Flags.....		3.12
White Pine Blister Rust.....		4.64
Snow Removal.....		.06
Net Overdraft to Surplus.....		133.85
	1,752.48	1,752.48

## TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

February 6, 1946, Cash on hand.....	1,650.16
Treasurers Receipts.....	30,243.21
Paid out on Warrants.....	28,230.53
February 3, Cash Balance to 1947 .....	3,662.84
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	31,893.37
	31,893.37

## APPROPRIATIONS

Voted at Town Meeting.....	16,842.57
State Tax.....	2,131.47
County Tax.....	984.32
Overlay.....	35.72
Supplementary Commitment.....	89.82
May 3, Commitment.....	19,994.08
Supplementary Commitment.....	89.82
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	20,083.90
	20,083.90

## TOWN PROPERTY

Six Schoolhouses.....	3,575.00
Road Machines.....	175.00
Snow Fence.....	475.00
Two Safes.....	50.00
One-fifth interest in Weights and measures.....	30.00
One-half interest in five gallon measure.....	7.00
Adding Machine.....	50.00
Sander.....	20.00
Typewriter.....	25.00

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Hand Fire Pumps.....	65.00
Fire Truck and Equipment.....	1,600.00
Tractor and Snow Plow.....	3,000.00
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	9,072.00

## OVERLAY

Overlay.....	35.72
Supplementary Assessment.....	89.82
Carried to Summary.....	125.54
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125.54	125.54

## EXCISE TAX

Excise Tax.....	960.43
Carried to Summary.....	960.43
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960.43	960.43
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## ABATEMENTS

By abatement voted at the Annual Town Meeting a 2 per cent discount on cash payment of taxes ending July 10, 1946.....

July 10, 1946.....	126.35
Abatements for 1945.....	40.32
Abatements for 1946.....	56.26
Carried to Summary.....	222.93
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222.93	222.93

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## 1943 TAX ACCOUNT

1943 Tax Uncollected.....	10.07	
Collected and Credited.....		10.07
	10.07	10.07

## 1944 TAX ACCOUNT

1944 Tax Uncollected.....	44.20	
February 3, Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		44.20
	44.20	44.20

## 1945 TAX ACCOUNT

1945 Tax Uncollected.....	1,804.71	
Collected and Credited.....		1,711.17
February 3, Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		93.54
	1,804.71	1,804.71

## 1946 TAX ACCOUNT

May 3, Commitment.....	19,944.08	
Supplementary Tax.....	89.82	
Collected and paid to Treasurer.....		18,720.18
February 3, By Abatements .....		182.61
February 3, Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		1,181.11
	20,083.90	20,083.90

## STATE TAX

State Tax 1946.....		2,131.47
December 20, State School Fund .....	2,131.47	
	2,131.47	2,131.47

## COUNTY TAX

County Tax 1946.....		984.32
September 7, Paid County Treasurer..	984.32	
	984.32	984.32

## Resident Unpaid Taxes

Blake, Carl T.....	3.00
Byron, Guy.....	82.50
Carson, Rosie M.....	41.45
Carr, Byron.....	34.52
Drummond, Bertrand A.....	126.09
Flagg, Rudolph.....	3.00
Fuller, Clarence H.....	84.18
Gerrish, Willis H.....	89.53
Harriman, Hilda A.....	21.78
Harriman, Laurence.....	3.33
Hemenway, Benjamin.....	24.52
Hjulstrom, William .....	24.78
Keene, Alexander C.....	3.99
MacKenzie, Charles & Elinor.....	76.30
Mahuren, Carrie.....	25.41
Richards, Cora.....	14.52
Sweetland, Judson C.....	29.40
Smith, Harry E., Jr.....	11.55
Smith, Harry.....	3.96

Small, Kenneth.....	3.00
Sharkey, James.....	3.00
Tenney, Earl.....	14.52
Tenney, Trafton H.....	18.72
Thomas, Jesse O.....	92.63
Wilson, Wentworth A.....	71.68
Wood, Daniel.....	43.59

**Non-Resident Unpaid Taxes**

Achorn, Ralph.....	2.57
Banton, Walter & Ida.....	29.04
Cram, Edwin H.....	3.63
Edgcomb, Ederick.....	10.89
Longley, Mahlon.....	43.56
Martin, Charles.....	36.30
Moore, Etta.....	3.63
Putnam, Harry B.....	45.74
Titcomb, Norman.....	2.90
Vogal, Harry D. & Annie M.....	54.45

**TAX LIENS 1933**

1933 Tax Liens.....	2.97
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	2.97
	2.97
	2.97

**TAX LIENS 1934**

1934 Tax Liens.....	14.75
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	14.75
	14.75
	14.75

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## TAX LIENS 1935

1935 Tax Liens.....	45.45	
Sold and Credited.....		6.90
Balance Uncollected.....		38.55
	45.45	45.45

## TAX LIENS 1936

1936 Tax Liens.....	11.70	
Sold and Credited.....		7.30
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		4.40
	11.70	11.70

## TAX LIENS 1937

1937 Tax Liens.....	16.34	
Sold and Credited.....		16.34
	16.34	16.34

## TAX LIENS 1938

1938 Tax Liens.....	53.80	
Sold and Credited.....		7.30
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		46.50
	53.80	53.80

## TAX LIENS 1939

1939 Tax Liens.....	63.23	
Sold and Credited.....		23.88
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....		39.35
	63.23	63.23

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## TAX LIENS 1940

1940 Tax Liens.....	88.58
Sold and Credited.....	50.58
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	38.00
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	88.58
	88.58

## TAX LIENS 1941

1941 Tax Liens.....	83.39
Sold and Credited.....	24.90
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	58.49
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	83.39
	83.39

## TAX LIENS 1942

1942 Tax Liens.....	53.83
Sold and Credited.....	38.12
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	15.71
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	53.83
	53.83

## TAX LIENS 1943

1943 Tax Liens.....	33.50
Sold and Credited.....	19.80
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	13.70
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	33.50
	33.50

## TAX LIENS 1944

1944 Tax Liens.....	564.90
Sold and Credited.....	510.90
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	54.00
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	564.90
	564.90

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## TAX LIENS 1945

1945 Tax Liens.....	782.91
Sold and Credited.....	334.53
Balance Uncollected to 1947.....	448.38
	782.91
	782.91

## TAX LIENS 1933

## This Property for Sale

J. Fred Mardin.....	2.97	2.97
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## TAX LIENS 1934

## For Sale

Ida I. Cobb.....	14.75	14.75
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## TAX LIENS 1935

## For Sale

Levi Campbell.....	4.20
Ida Cobb.....	15.00
Arthur S. Fuller.....	12.30
Ida Gilman.....	2.85
Irvin Rankin.....	4.20
	38.55

## TAX LIENS 1936

## For Sale

Levi Campbell.....	4.40	4.40
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## TAX LIENS 1938

## For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	4.40
Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	42.10
	46.50

## TAX LIENS 1939

## For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	7.30
Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	4.40
Donahue & Payson.....	24.70
Fidelphus Flagg, Heirs.....	2.95
	39.35

## TAX LIENS 1940

## For Sale

Donahue & Payson.....	27.10
Obed Fuller, Heirs.....	4.70
Obed Fuller, Heirs.....	3.10
Fidelphus Flagg, Heirs .....	3.10
	38.00

## TAX LIENS 1941

## For Sale

Frank Cooper, Lot 8.....	1.83
Frank Cooper, Lot 9.....	1.56
Frank Cooper, Lot 10.....	1.83
Frank Cooper, Lot 11.....	1.56
Elmore Milling Co.....	27.50

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George Fuller, Heirs.....	1.83
Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	14.50
Obed Fuller, Heirs.....	4.75
Obed Fuller, Heirs.....	3.13
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	58.49

## TAX LIENS 1942

## For Sale

George M. Fuller, Heirs.....	1.81
Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	13.90
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	15.71

## TAX LIENS 1943

## For Sale

Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	13.70	13.70
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## TAX LIENS 1944

## For Sale

Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	15.10
Arthur Pierpont.....	38.90
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	54.00

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## TAX LIENS 1945

Donivan Bowley, Lot No. 1.....	4.80
Donivan Bowley, Lot No. 2.....	84.00
Bertrand A. Drummond.....	93.90
Willis H. Gerrish.....	57.60
Augustus F. Heal, Lot No. 1.....	34.37
12.....	20.67
15.....	4.80
16.....	4.80
18.....	8.10
20.....	4.80
21.....	4.80
24.....	2.99
25.....	2.49
26.....	9.75
27.....	8.10
Wentworth A. Wilson.....	51.00
Eugene W. Graves.....	6.45
Etta Moore.....	4.80
Roland R. & Elenor Miller.....	2.36
Arthur Pierpont.....	37.80

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## ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts Receivable on 1945 State Aid Road, February 8, 1946 .....	1,195.76
Bancroft & Martin Rolling Mills Co., February 6, 1946, Balance Due From	2.17
State.....	1,197.93
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	1,197.93
	1,197.93

## OVER PAYMENT ON 1945 TAXES

Accounts Payable, February 6, 1946	
Balance.....	6.47
Distribution:	
Clinton Butler.....	.67
Lolia Powell.....	.04
Alton Hammond.....	2.48
Don Lucas.....	3.17
Mahlon Longley.....	.11
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	6.47
	6.47

## PURCHASE OF SNOW EQUIPMENT TRACTOR AND PLOW LOAN

February 6, 1946, Balance due the First National Bank, Belfast.....	2,000.00
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## Distribution:

The First National Bank of Belfast.....	1,000.00
February 3, 1947, Balance due First	
National Bank.....	1,000.00
	2,000.00
	2,000.00

## REPAIRING SNOW PLOW EQUIPMENT LOAN

January 23, 1947, the First National	
Bank of Belfast.....	2,000.00
February 3, 1947, due the First National	
Bank of Belfast.....	2,000.00
	2,000.00
	2,000.00

## OUTSTANDING LOAN

Appropriation.....	1,000.00
Paid First National Bank.....	
	1,000.00
	1,000.00
	1,000.00

## INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation.....	50.00
Balance from 1945.....	33.88
First National Bank, Rebate.....	5.16
Paid May, 1946, First National Bank	48.00
Paid, November 21, 1946, First	
National Bank.....	40.00
February 3, Balance Unexpended to	
Summary.....	1.04
	89.04
	89.04

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## TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation.....	750.00
Distributions:	
Harold Nutter.....	4.96
Ira J. Packard.....	8.00
Maynard Marriner.....	229.53
Richard Merriam.....	220.55
W. G. Drinkwater.....	357.72
Laurence Robbins.....	13.20
Earnest Sprowl.....	14.52
Ethel Higgins.....	40.00
Don Lucas.....	17.30
John Levenseller.....	16.64
Frank Bryant.....	14.85
Charlotte Sweetland.....	16.55
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	5.60
Treasurer of State.....	81.63
Harriet E. Knight.....	75.00
R. B. Knight.....	50.00
A. W. Adams.....	25.00
Josephine L. Aldus.....	20.00
Ethel Butler.....	20.30
H. R. Davis.....	20.00
Louise Robbins.....	20.00
February 3, Balance to Summary.....	521.35
	1,271.35
	1,271.35

## CONTINGENT

Appropriation .....	100.00
Don Lucas.....	57.66
Merton E. Wood.....	27.92
Ethel Higgins.....	1.40

State Treasurer, Bank Stock Tax.....	39.06
E. O. Sprowl.....	316.74
E. O. Sprowl.....	26.74
State Treasurer, R. R. Tax.....	.53
Myrtle Ripley & Clifton Marriner.....	116.40

## Distributions:

The First National Bank.....	9.79
Field & Quimby.....	7.00
Maine Municipal Association.....	30.00
Ira J. Packard.....	22.15
Laurence Robbins.....	3.00
Earnest Sprowl.....	2.20
Fredrick Lougee.....	1.40
Carrie G. Howes.....	7.29
Fred Wiley.....	4.62
Florence S. Sprowl.....	7.92
Percy C. Allen.....	15.00
Irving Tuttle.....	8.00
A. W. Adams.....	16.70
Richard Merriam.....	16.26
Maynard Marriner.....	13.02
W. G. Drinkwater.....	1.00
Balance Unexpended to Summary.....	521.10
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	686.45
	686.45

**RENTAL, FUEL AND OFFICE SUPPLIES**

Appropriation.....	300.00
Distribution:	
Liberty & Belfast Tel. & Tel. Co.....	24.49
Ira J. Packard.....	21.84
Loring, Short & Harmon.....	34.30
Marks Printing House.....	27.75

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Ethel Higgins.....	3.33
Sprowl Bros.....	9.00
R. B. Knight.....	2.65
Earnest Ratten.....	3.00
G. W. Drinkwater.....	2.78
Hutchins Bros.....	1.65
Harriet E. Knight.....	6.31
City Job Print.....	165.30
Augustus Heal.....	8.00
A. W. Adams.....	8.66
A. C. Hopkins.....	2.20
February 3, Overdraft to Summary.....	21.26
	321.26
	321.26

## COLLECTORS COMMISSION

Appropriation.....	400.00
Distribution:	
Ira J. Packard.....	535.29
February 3, Overdraft to Summary.....	135.29
	535.29
	535.29

## ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation.....	2,500.00
Town Tractor.....	426.31

## Distribution:

A. A. Fowles.....	16.35
Frank Fuller.....	787.34
Howard Clark.....	259.84
Wilfred Cross.....	16.60

Walter Sprowl.....	3.60
Ernest Griffeth.....	24.26
Alton Hammond.....	121.23
Clarence Drinkwater.....	191.84
Frank Jackson.....	16.66
Don Lucas.....	16.66
Jeptha Buck.....	30.66
Fremon Wooster.....	5.28
Arthur Sprowl.....	3.40
Clinton Butler.....	51.56
Fred Little.....	11.22
Shanley Lumber Co.....	13.05
Albert Marriner.....	37.04
Maynard Marriner.....	18.21
Boyd Whiting.....	14.88
Charles MacKenzie.....	24.04
Fred Elmes.....	2.64
Bert Buzzell.....	2.64
Josiah Bryant.....	5.28
Oscar Bryant.....	8.91
Laurence Cushman.....	17.00
Town Tractor.....	426.31
Fred Kendall.....	10.56
Ray Bartlett.....	5.28
Roy Thomas.....	.66
R. B. Knight.....	46.74
Benjamin Parsons.....	1.32
J. A. Robbins & Son.....	39.16
Sprowl Bros.....	55.68
Leslie Wentworth.....	5.94
Richard Wentworth.....	1.32
Berger Metal Culvert Co.....	428.91
Dean & Eugley.....	2.90
M. E. Cushman.....	26.19
Dennis Wentworth.....	2.64
Mrs. Charles Vanner.....	28.10

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Albert Hammond.....	78.40
Harold Drinkwater.....	10.56
Elden Maddocks.....	6.00
Elden Maddocks, Jr.....	6.00
R. E. Whitcomb.....	136.26
James Bartlett.....	17.50
Judson Sweetland.....	2.64
A. P. Sheapard.....	10.56
Willard Hammond.....	7.92
Z. M. Dwinal.....	6.90
M. W. Merrill.....	119.70
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	37.60
Loring Parker.....	16.20
A. P. French.....	4.54
Town of Montville.....	12.85
Merrill Butler.....	5.26
Laurence Roberts.....	2.64
Richard Merriam.....	1.50
Frank Jackson.....	1.50
February 3, Overdraft to Summary....	340.12
	3,266.43
	3,266.43

## STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation .....	799.50
Distributions:	
Freemon Wooster.....	32.00
Frank Fuller.....	6.00
Howard Clark.....	6.00
Leslie Wentworth.....	26.00
Dennis Wentworth.....	26.75
G. W. Drinkwater.....	10.50
Clarence Drinkwater.....	15.13
Berger Metal Culvert Co.....	102.52

Collector of Internal Revenue.....	4.00	
Treasurer of State.....	560.60	
Balance due State, February 3.....	10.00	
	799.50	799.50
Paid Since Books Closed.....	10.00	

## STATE AID SLAB CITY BRIDGE (socalled)

Appropriation.....	1,000.00	
Treasurer of State.....	1,000.00	
	1,000.00	1,000.00

## THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	631.00	
Balance from 1945.....	535.33	

## Distributions:

Howard Clark.....	86.38
Merrick Bryant.....	5.28
Frank Fuller.....	200.30
Maynard Marriner.....	23.86
Albert Marriner.....	2.64
Laurence Robbins.....	16.22
Clarence Gelo.....	84.01
Raymond Gelo.....	5.63
Clarence Drinkwater.....	107.30
Alton Hammond.....	71.40
Raymond Harriman.....	126.41
Freman Wooster.....	1.13
Dennis Wentworth.....	3.00

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R. E. Whitcomb.....	209.63	
Ernest Griffeth.....	43.00	
Mrs. Charles Vanner.....	45.50	
Sidney Harriman.....	12.00	
Jeptha Buck.....	32.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	13.00	
Balance Unexpended 1947.....	77.64	
		1,166.33
		1,166.33

## SPECIAL RESOLVE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation:.....	100.00	
Distribution:		
Frank Fuller.....	41.49	
Howard Clark.....	20.04	
Sprowl Bros. ....	9.60	
Alton Hammond.....	4.50	
Albert Marriner.....	6.10	
R. E. Witcomb.....	15.00	
James Robbins & Son.....	21.12	
Overdraft to Summary.....		17.85
		117.85
		117.85

## ROAD PATROL

Appropriation.....	600.00	
Distribution:		
Treasurer of State.....	759.70	
Overdraft to Summary.....		159.70
		759.70
		749.70

## CUTTING BUSHES

Balance from 1945.....	524.70
Distribution:	
G. W. Drinkwater.....	33.13
Dennis Wentworth.....	20.26
Fred Little.....	69.10
Alfred Shepard.....	75.89
F. G. Wooster.....	30.50
William H. Julstrom.....	23.70
Harry Smith.....	12.00
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	6.70
R. B. Knight.....	1.06
Balance Unexpended to 1947.....	252.36
	524.70
	524.70

## MAINTENANCE OF UNIMPROVED ROAD

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State Treasurer.....	591.63
Distributions:	
R. E. Whitcomb.....	152.50
Frank Fuller.....	148.20
Howard Clark.....	61.50
Clarence Drinkwater .....	89.82
Raymond Harriman.....	85.01
Alton Hammond.....	30.40
Sidney Harriman.....	26.25
George Fowles.....	1.96
Jeptha Buck.....	8.00
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	6.00
Overdraft to Summary.....	18.01
	609.64
	609.64

## STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation .....	138.00
Central Maine Power Co.....	135.30
February 3, Balance to Summary.....	2.70
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	138.00
	138.00

## SNOW REMOVAL OVERDRAFT

Appropriation .....	336.57
February 6, Overdraft from 1945.....	336.51
Balance to Summary.....	.06
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	336.57
	336.57

## SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation.....	500.00
Town Tractor .....	1,002.69
Town Sander.....	18.63
State Credit Plowing Black Road.....	134.00
State Treasurer.....	1,660.37
The First National Bank, Loan.....	2,000.00
Distribution:	
Elijah Ripley .....	28.00
Frank Fuller.....	875.29
Howard Clark .....	241.24
Clarence Drinkwater.....	598.99
Blanchard Bryant .....	96.40
Earnest Sprowl.....	60.85
Town Sander .....	15.75
E. S. Hook.....	23.07
Merrick Bryant.....	9.24

Town Tractor & Plow.....	880.89
Willis Gerrish.....	38.00
Norman Ripley.....	4.62
George Thomas.....	8.50
Laurence Cushman.....	262.50
Rosco Ryan.....	25.08
Richard Lewis.....	6.93
Walter Sprowl.....	7.00
Maynard Cushman.....	104.97
Sprowl Bros.....	117.18
Maynard Marriner.....	90.55
Eastern Tractor & Equipment Co. ....	2,419.62
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	32.90
Hall Hardware & Co.....	21.25
George Skinner.....	36.00
Basil Pearse.....	4.62
Donald Pearse.....	1.65
C. A. Butler.....	5.94
Charles Butler.....	1.32
Merrill Butler.....	3.19
Kenneth Plaisted.....	2.64
Gardner Hemenway.....	14.52
Roy Thomas.....	6.60
Trafton Tenney.....	3.30
Eugene Tenney.....	3.30
Frank Jackson.....	6.27
Clifton Marriner.....	4.62
Atwood Mitchell.....	1.65
Fred Elms.....	5.94
Bert Buzzell.....	10.36
Fred Little.....	1.32
Oscar Bryant.....	5.94
R. B. Knight.....	9.59
B. M. Clark.....	2.50
Laurence Robbins.....	3.30
Don E. Lucas.....	8.92

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Alfred Shepard .....	1.24
Central Petroleum Co.....	14.72
Raymond Harriman .....	244.47
Charles H. Conant.....	24.00
Dennis Wentworth.....	27.35
Sidney Harriman.....	4.13
R. E. Whitcomb.....	58.75
Wayne Butler.....	12.65
Sprowl & Robbins.....	18.40
W. G. Drinkwater.....	.50
State Credit Plowing Black Road.....	134.00
February 3, Overdraft to 1947.....	1,336.83
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	6,652.52
	6,652.52

Note: On the Preceding Account 3,380.14 spent for 1945-46  
 Snow Removal 3,272.38 has been spent for 1946-47.

## OLD CEMETERIES AND FLAGS

Appropriation.....	35.00
 Distribution:	
F. D. Jones .....	18.00
Dennis Wentworth .....	9.38
W. G. Drinkwater .....	4.50
February 3, Balance to Summary.....	3.12
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	35.00
	35.00

## POOR FELIEF

Appropriation .....	200.00
 Distribution:	
Ivory & Cora Richards Account: R. B. Knight .....	208.38

Richard Brown Account:	
Richard Merriam.....	5.40
Colburns Shoe Store.....	35.39
W. M. Blake.....	69.54
R. B. Knight.....	3.97
George Thomas.....	17.50
Maynard Marriner.....	4.00
February 3, Overdraft to Summary....	144.18
	344.18
	344.18

### SUPPLEMENT TO OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation.....	550.00
Irving Tuttle.....	24.00
Minnie Dorr.....	143.62
Myrtle Ripley & Cilfton Marriner.....	653.42

### Distribution:

Account No. 1:	
Irving Tuttle.....	27.00
John A. Caswell, M. D.....	5.50
Account No. 2:	
George L. Clements.....	275.00
City Drug Store.....	8.82
G. W. Drinkwater.....	1.50
Horace Ripley.....	10.00
Charles R. Coombs.....	18.75
Account No. 3:	
George L. Clements.....	204.00
John L. Caswell, M. D.....	14.00
Seth H. Read, M. D.....	6.00
City Drug Store.....	5.40
Charles R. Coombs.....	25.00

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## Account No. 4:

Bert Ingerson.....	57.00
L. L. Robinson.....	177.00
Maynard Marriner.....	29.95
G. W. Drinkwater.....	2.94

## Account No. 5:

Myra Cooley.....	143.62
February 3, Balance Unexpended to 1947.....	359.56
	1,371.04

1,371.04

## MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation.....	600.00
Distribution:	
Ethel Thompson Account:	
Treasurer of State.....	288.00
Annie L. Tenney Account:	
Treasurer of State.....	328.50
February 3, Balance to Overdraft.....	16.50
	616.50
	616.50

## VETERANS' AID

Balance from 1946.....	312.76
Balance Unexpended to 1947.....	312.76
	312.76
	312.76

## PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

Appropriation.....	55.00
Paid Treasurer of State.....	55.00
	55.00
	55.00

## COMMON SCHOOLS ACCOUNT

Appropriation.....	4,300.00
Balance from 1945.....	666.69
Lytle Thurston.....	9.00
State Treasurer School Fund.....	238.05
State School Credit.....	2,131.47
February 6, Overdraft from Secondary Tuition.....	198.52
February 6, Overdraft from Text Books & Supplies.....	23.46
Distribution:	
Marion Cushman .....	375.84
Harleth Davis .....	889.04
Lovicy Littlefield .....	406.10
Maynard Cushman .....	1,607.00
Kenneth Plaisted .....	10.00
Roger Jackson .....	6.00
Pine Tree Products.....	8.00
Vernon Bagley .....	2.50
State Treasurer .....	137.73
Laura Nottage .....	30.00
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	321.30
Barbara Fuller .....	4.00
Central Maine Power Co.....	24.37
Clarion Stove Co.....	1.34
Howard & Brown .....	8.55
City of Belfast.....	350.00
Loring, Short & Harmon .....	32.71
Donald Roades.....	22.00
Town of Appletown.....	75.00
Beckley Card Co.....	11.15
Town of Montville.....	71.00
Town of Liberty .....	250.00
Webster Pub. Co.....	19.35
Ruth Dow .....	497.93
Genevieve Young .....	532.04

## TOWN OF SEARSMONT

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Madeline Ripley .....	10.00
Carl Howard.....	100.00
Edgar Fuller.....	22.00
Edward E. Babb Co.....	7.03
World Book Co.....	3.00
W. E. Osborne .....	2.50
E. S. Hook .....	1.91
Genne & Co. ....	28.93
Willis Gerrish .....	36.00
Marrietta Gray.....	5.00
Scott Foresman Co.....	9.25
Fritz Broderson.....	67.50
Lewis L. Gray.....	88.10
J. L. Hammett Co. ....	1.48
Florence Allen.....	5.59
MacMillian Co.....	9.58
American Book Co. ....	1.79
Raymond Harriman .....	48.00
Joseph E. Rowley .....	35.89
Follett Book Co. ....	5.65
Gled Hill Bros.....	12.91
Lyons & Garnahan.....	1.00
February 3, Balance Unexpended to 1947 .....	927.17
	7,345.21
	7,245.21

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## SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS AND INSURANCE

February 6, Balance from 1945.....	23.25
Appropriation.....	400.00
Fred Palmer .....	16.00
Distribution:	
Talbot Stevenson Inc. Agency.....	44.46
Field and Quimby.....	15.00

Fred Palmer.....	32.00	
Hall Hardware.....	11.05	
Philip Robbins.....	35.35	
Lealand Cushman.....	141.30	
R. B. Knight.....	15.02	
Lincoln Lumber Co.....	16.25	
Claybon Stickney.....	9.00	
E. L. Grant.....	10.50	
Cooper & Co.....	22.70	
Walter Aldus.....	27.00	
Eatons Garage.....	3.00	
Rosco Ryan.....	9.50	
February 3, Unexpended to 1947.....	47.12	
	439.25	439.25

## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Appropriation.....	175.00	
February 6, Balance from 1945.....	16.75	
Distribution:		
Merle S. Jones.....	26.66	
Lewis L. Gray.....	139.48	
February 3, Balance to 1947.....	25.61	
	191.75	191.75

## FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation.....	100.00	
Distribution:		
Sprowl Bros.....	8.45	
R. B. Knight.....	27.99	
Farrar Co.....	172.85	

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Eatons Garage.....	34.00
Harriet Knight.....	12.00
February 3, Overdraft to Summary....	155.29
	255.29

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE *not T. 25*

February 5, Balance from 1946.....	124.56
State Treasurer.....	7.00
Distribution:	
R. B. Knight.....	2.00
Gardner Hemenway.....	2.00
Drummond Hemenway.....	3.00
Donald Howard.....	2.00
Howard Holmes.....	2.00
Laurence Cushman.....	2.00
Ronald Payson.....	2.00
February 3, Balance Unexpended to 1947.....	117.56
	131.56
	131.56

## BONDS FOR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriation.....	22.50
Field and Quimby.....	22.50
	22.50
	22.50

## WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST

Appropriation.....	200.00
Distribution:	
William A. Eamon.....	81.66
Ralph O. Overlock.....	23.70

Charles A. Penney .....	79.20
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	10.80
February 3, Balance to Summary.....	4.64
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	200.00
	200.00

#### FOR CONSTRUCTING NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

Appropriation.....	1,000.00
February 3, Unexpended to 1947.....	1,000.00
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	1,000.00
	1,000.00

#### RESOURCES

Cash on hand, February 3, 1947.....	3,662.84
Due from the Town of Bowdoinham .....	97.45
Estimate of Reimbursement from	
State on Snow Removal.....	972.52
Due from Tax Collector:	
1944 Tax .....	44.20
1945 Tax .....	93.54
1946 Tax .....	1,181.11
Tax Liens Town Property.....	326.92
1945 Tax Liens.....	448.38
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	6,826.96

#### LIABILITIES

The First National Bank, Belfast, Loan	3,000.00
Snow Removal.....	1,367.51
Road and Bridges.....	236.33
Town Officers Salaries.....	95.28
Rental, Fuel and Office Supplies.....	35.51
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	4,734.63

Assets more than Liabilities.....	2,092.33
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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Cash on hand, February 7, 1946 .....	1,650.16
Ira J. Packard, 1946 Tax.....	18,720.18
Ira J. Packard, 1945 Tax.....	931.44
Ira J. Packard, 1943 Tax.....	10.07
Ira J. Packard, Excise Tax 1946-47 .....	960.43
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	22,272.28

## State Treasurer:

Snow Removal 1946-47.....	1,660.37
Special Resolve Road Construction....	408.45
Third Class Road Construction.....	787.31
Balance on Settlement State Tax.....	238.58
Town Road Improvement.....	591.63
Reimbursement Fighting Forest Fire..	7.00
Bank Stock Tax .....	39.06
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	3,732.40

First National Bank Loan.....	2,000.00
Barret & Morton Rolling Mills, refund .....	2.17
Dr. Irving Tuttle, Reimbursement Flora Hunt Account.....	24.00
Ethel Higgins Health Officer Inoculation Fees.....	1.40
First Nat'l Bank, Rebate on Note .....	5.16
Lytle Thurston, Tuition Priscilla Thurston .....	9.00
Minnie Dorr, Reimbursement Old Age Assistance.....	143.62
Town Treas., Check sent thru error....	16.00
Town Treas., check returned.....	.28
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	2,201.63

## ANNUAL REPORT

Town Tractor.....	1,429.00
Town Sander.....	18.63
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	1,447.63

## Tax Lien Account Receipts

Chas. & Elinor MacKenzie, same.....	94.06
A. F. Heald, same.....	182.08
H. P. Hermansen, same.....	28.50
Lou D. Dyer, same.....	70.00
Norman Titcomb, same.....	4.14
Bertrand MacKenzie, same.....	61.74
Elbridge Cunningham by Faustina Fairbrother.....	21.30
Malvina Berveridge, same.....	100.50
B. A. Drummond, same.....	96.70
Josephine Aldus, same.....	38.90
Maylon Longley, same.....	41.10
Harry Walton, same.....	63.21
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	802.23

## Town Property

Don Lucas, F. C. Lucas, Property.....	66.70
Maynard Marriner, Scott Gray Prop.	17.62
Bertrand Cunningham, Geo. Butler, Property.....	21.50
E. O. Sprowl, Edgar Bradbury & Almon Wright Property,.....	100.00
Myrtle Ripley & Clifton Marriner, Flora Hunt, Property.....	809.42
M. E. Wood, same.....	27.92

## TOWN OF SEARSMONT

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Judson Sweetland, same.....	316.74
Eugene Tenney, same.....	34.10
Hilda Harriman, same.....	43.20
	1,437.20
Total Receipts.....	31,893.37
Warrants Drawn.....	28,230.53
	3,662.84
Cash Balance on Hand, February 3, 1947	

HARRIET E. KNIGHT  
Treasurer

**REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**

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Report of Town Clerk for the Fiscal year 1946 ending February 1, 1947

Pursuant to the laws of 1944 only the total number of Vital Statistics are printed in our Town Report.

Number of Marriages—15

Number of Births—11

There were no deaths in Searsmont during the Fiscal year.

There were 5 residents who died in Hospitals or Convalescent Homes elsewhere and were brought here for burial.

Also 8 who were born in Searsmont and either brought here for Burial or their deaths sent here for recording

A. W. ADAMS

Town Clerk

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

1946

Although the Public Health Nursing Program in your community for the year 1946 suffered an interruption caused by the serious illness of your Public Health Nurse and, also, by the shortage of qualified nurses, we have made every effort to give you the most efficient service possible under these circumstances.

During the time she was on duty the following services were rendered to your community:

18 visits were made to the community. While in the area expectant mothers were visited and encouraged to register early with their physician.

Visits were made to mothers of infants and preschool children in the interest of promoting better health, physically, mentally and socially. Stress was placed on the importance of early protection against the preventable communicable diseases.

Schools were visited and conferences held with the teachers in regard to plans for better school health services. The nurse assisted with a school immunization clinic.

With the splendid help of the Sears mont Health Committee, it was possible for a series of Child Health Conferences to be held. At these conferences infants and preschool children received a physical examination and were protected against whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus. Mothers were given an opportunity to confer with the conference physician in relation to the health problems of their children.

We regret that Mrs. Young has resigned. However, we've been very fortunate in obtaining the promise of a well qualified public health nurse for our staff early in 1947. She will be assigned to your community.

We feel confident that she, with her preparation and experience, and with the support and interest of the Health Committee, will give your community a progressive and efficient Public Health Nursing Program in 1947.

Our sincere thanks go to the members of the Health Committee, the town officials and school personnel for the cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Lucy C. Hawkins,  
Lucy C. Hawkkins, R. N.  
District Public Health  
Nursing Supervisor

**State of Maine  
FOREST SERVICE  
Augusta**

January 2, 1947.

Mr. Wyman G. Drinkwater  
Chairman, Selectmen of Searsmont,  
R. F. D. 1,  
Union, Maine.

Dear Mr. Drinkwater:

As the time is approaching when you will be preparing your 1946 town report, we are submitting a brief statement showing the status of blister rust control work in your town.

As you know, blister rust control work is conducted under a cooperative agreement between the State and Federal Governments, in which they cooperate with towns.

According to our records, the town of Searsmont has over 1,700 acres of pine bearing lands, with a protective zone of over 7,000 acres. During the past several years the town has cooperated with the State and Federal Government in blister rust control, the work being under the direct supervision of our Federal Agent, H. G. Bradbury, of Belfast. For the 1946 Ribes eradication season, the town made \$200.00 available for the work. We are pleased to report that the work performed this year completes the initial control work in the town. During the control season, 38,369 wild Ribes plants were removed from 3,751 acres, at a cost of \$1,416.32 (Town \$195.36 Fed. Gov. \$1,220.96). 2,697 acres of the control area in the town have been placed on a maintenance basis; i. e., no further control work will be required for an indefinite number of years. As no reeradication work is needed at this time, no control work is recommended for 1947.

Thanking you for your past cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

W. O. FROST,

Pathologist.

**CHARLES RIPLEY FUND**

Balance, November 9, 1945.....	\$853.74
May 1, 1946, Interest.....	4.23
November 1, 1946, Interest.....	4.28
	862.15

**Charles Ripley Fund Income Account 8742**

Balance, February 28, 1946.....	819.06
May 1, 1946, Interest.....	3.76
	822.82
August 5, Withdrawn.....	100.00
	722.82
August 5, 1946, Deposit.....	97.50
	820.32
August 21, 1946, Withdrawn.....	50.00
	770.32
November 1, 1946, Interest.....	3.69
	774.01
November 12, 1946, Withdrawn.....	50.00
	724.01
January 22, 1947, Withdrawn.....	100.00
	624.01
February 11, 1947, Deposit.....	97.50
	\$721.51

**OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION****Trust Fund:**

November 1, 1945, Bal. in Bank.....	1,708.50
Interest, May 1, 1946.....	.854
Interest, November 1, 1946.....	.850
	1,725.54
November 1, 1946, Bal. in Bank.....	1708.50
August 5, 1946, Withdrawn and deposited on Working Account.....	17.04
	1,725.54

**Working Fund:**

November 28, Bal. in Bank.....	82.12
Interest, May 1, 1946.....	.41
July 18, 1946, Reveiced from sale of Lot, Mrs. Ada Cunningham .....	20.00
August 5, 1946, Deposit transferred from principal.....	17.04
Interest, November 1, 1946.....	.49
December 23, 1946 Received from sale of lot, Harold P. Cobb.....	20.00
	140.06
February 17, 1947, Bal. in Bank.....	9.06
November 12, 1947, Withdrawn by F. G. Walter .....	24.00
November 12, 1946, Withdrawn by D. R. Wentworth .....	33.23
November 12, 1946, Withdrawn by	

C. W. Drinkwater.....	10.66
November 19, 1946, Withdrawn by	
H. P. Cobb.....	29.32
December 17, 1946, Withdrawn by .....	
W. G. Drinkwarer .....	33.79
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	140.06

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Resources**

Balance on hand, February 1, 1946 ....	444.71
Raised by Town.....	4,300.00
State School Fund.....	2,369.52
Elementary Tuition.....	9.00
Total .....	<b>7,123.23</b>

**Liabilities**

Elementary Teachers.....	3,158.93
Elementary Tuition.....	27.00
Secondary Tuition.....	675.00
Conveyance.....	1,653.94
Janitor Service.....	223.00
Fuel.....	324.50
Text Books and Supplies.....	193.69
Music.....	30.00
Total .....	<b>6,196.06</b>
Balance on hand, February 1, 1947 ....	<b>927.17</b>

**REPAIR**

Balance on Hand, February 1, 1946....	23.25
Raised by Town.....	400.00
Refund.....	16.00
Paid on Order .....	392.13
Balance on hand, February 1, 1947	<b>47.12</b>

## PROPOSED BUDGET

**Expenses**

Elementary Teachers .....	3,748.93
Elementary Tuition.....	168.00
Secondary Tuition.....	1,400.00
Conveyance.....	1,800.00
Janitor Service.....	225.00
Fuel.....	350.00
Text Books and Supplies.....	300.00
<hr/> Total.....	7,991.93

**Sources**

From Balance on hand.....	641.93
State School Fund.....	2,350.00
To be Raised by Town.....	5,000.00
<hr/> Total.....	7,991.93

Raised for repair, as per motion.

The termination of the war did not alleviate the shortage of trained teachers. Teachers have been so poorly paid that for years the demand has far exceeded the annual output. The proposed legislation is destined to encourage candidates for our normal schools. For several years hundreds of pupils in Maine have had no schooling whatever. At present thousands are attending schools in which the teachers have no training or experience. Because we are so far behind in the supply, this shortage bids fair to last, in some degree, for at least ten years. So long as

large towns and cities are in dire need of teachers, the small towns must take the leavings. Local talent is destined to remain our chief source of supply.

The new prospective legislation to raise teachers' salaries makes budgeting this year very difficult. The State department does not know what the subsidy per teacher will be to aid in the salary raise. In any case, the towns share a greater burden. The necessity of a special town meeting is to be avoided, if possible. The burden of my towns is especially acute because they have failed to increase salaries as have many towns. Our raises will therefore be in lump-sum this year to conform to the new legislation, in case it is passed.

On every turn we face demands for better schools, and in all instances we encounter increasing costs. Rest assured that your Superintendent will practice economy, but when a package of paper that once cost fifteen cents, now costs nearly fifty cents, and all other expenses in accordance, his job is not an easy one. And too, the public are making demands that cannot be met. Yet we must gradually improve our school systems. Constantly we must ask ourselves: Are our children worth it?

I regret that my busy days have prevented me from making more acquaintances. May we continue to work together for the good that can come about in no other way.

LEWIS L. GRAY  
Superintendent of Schools

**WARRANT**

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**Waldo, ss.****State of Maine**

**To Ira J. Packard, a Constable of the Town of Searsport  
in the County of Waldo, Greeting:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Searsport qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble in Dirigo Hall in said Town on the Third day of March A. D. 1947 at ten o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.
- Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for three years.

Art. 8. To choose one or more Constables and a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the taxes.

Art. 9. To choose a Fire Chief, for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Warden and Inspector.

Art. 11. To choose all other Town Officers.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the following ordinance to wit:—

Be it ordained by the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo and State of Maine.

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company or corporation to kindle a fire on his or its own land or land of another, other than for household purposes without first obtaining a permit for same from two of the duly elected Selectmen of said Town, or Fire Chief.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to prosecution by the Courts of Waldo County and State of Maine, and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00; or by imprisonment for more than three months; or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Art. 13. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay men, teams, and trucks for the ensuing year.

(a) To see what wages the Town will vote to pay trucks for plowing snow.

(b) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Treasurer for the ensuing year.

(c) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

- (d) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.
- (e) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Fire Chief for the ensuing year.
- (f) To see what the Town will vote to pay all other Town Officers.

- Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to grant a two percent (2%) or more abatements on taxes for voluntary cash payments on or before July 10th.
- Art. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$55.00 for public health nursing in Searsmont, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.—\$55.00.
- Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways, and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chap. 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.—\$799.50.
  - (a) To see if the Town will vote to take the necessary funds from the State Aid joint fund, for the purpose of reconstructing and bituminous treatment of ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) one half mile of State Aid road No. 2 (Camden Moody Mt. Rd.) extending from the State Highway No. 131.—\$400.00.
- Art. 17. To see what method the Town will vote to adopt for the care of the poor and needy of said town during the ensuing year.
- Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Poor Relief.—\$200.00.

- Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Supplement to Old Age Assistance and Blind.—\$400.00.
- Art. 20. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mothers Aid.—\$600.00.
- Art. 21. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for commission of Tax Collector.—\$500.00.
- Art. 22. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for salaries of Town Officers.—\$900.00.
- Art. 23. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Contingent Expenses.—\$100.00.
- Art. 24. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges.—\$2,500.00.
- Art. 25. To see whether or not the Town will vote to enter into contract with Central Maine Power Company for a term of ten (10) years, whereby, in consideration of the furnishing of street lighting service to the Town during the term of said contract, all as more fully set forth in the contract, copy of which has been presented to this meeting, the Town will pay for such street lighting service in accordance with the Company's municipal street lighting rate—contract basis.
  - (a) To see what action the Town will take with reference to authorizing the Selectmen to execute and deliver the contract referred to in the preceding Article.
  - (b) To see what action the Town will take with reference to raising the necessary money to cover the street lighting service.—\$135.00.

- Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to reopen the old abandoned road on the west side of Quantabacook Pond, Road to be reopened as far as settled.
- Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$631.00 for the maintenance of improved third class road—\$631.00.
- Art. 28. To see if the Town will raise \$700.00 to pay share of State Road Patrol as required for the ensuing year.—\$700.00.
- Art. 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,336.83 to take care of the overdraft in the snow removal for 1946-47.—\$1,336.83.
- Art. 30. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for snow removal for the year 1947-48 and by what method snow shall be removed.—\$500.00
- Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to pay on outstanding notes on snow removal equipment.—\$500.00.
  - (a) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to pay on outstanding notes on Tractor Overhaul Job.—\$500.00.
- Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for rental, fuel and office supplies.—\$300.00.
- Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Interest on Loans.—\$100.00.
- Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for support of common schools for the coming year.—\$5,000.00.

- Art. 35. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the salary of School Superintendent.—\$175.00.
- Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to rescind Art. 39 of the 1946 Town Warrant.
- Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to use the \$1,000.00 raised in Art. 39. of the 1946 Town Warrant, now on hand for new heating equipment in School House at Village.
- Art. 38. To see if the Town will Establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of Section 130 through 133 of Chapter 80 of Revised Statutes, money raised and appropriated under Art. 39. 1946. \$1,000.00 for the purpose of Constructing a new Consolidated School Building within the Village limits until State and Federal funds are available.
- Art. 39. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for fire equipment—\$25.00.
- Art. 40. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the purpose of bituminous treatment of Special Resolve Road on (Ghent Hills).—\$400.00.
- Art. 41. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to maintain Special Resolve Road.—\$100.00.
- Art. 42. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 32, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.—\$25.00.
- Art. 43. To see how much the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Bonds for the Collector and Treasurer.—\$22.50.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans not exceeding a total of (\$3,000.00) and to execute and deliver in the name of the Town its note or notes therefor, said loan or loans to be paid during the municipal year out of money raised by taxes during current year.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to continue to have a Budget Committee and if so to appoint same.

Art. 47. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for schoolhouse repairs and insurance, and new equipment.—\$500.00.

Art. 48. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Cemeteries and Flags.—\$35.00.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to Name the Old Cemetery, Riverside Cemetery.

Art. 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

These appropriations were recommended by the Budget Committee.

The Selectmen will be in session at Dirigo Hall at nine o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon on the third day of March A. D. 1947 for correcting the Town Voting Lists.

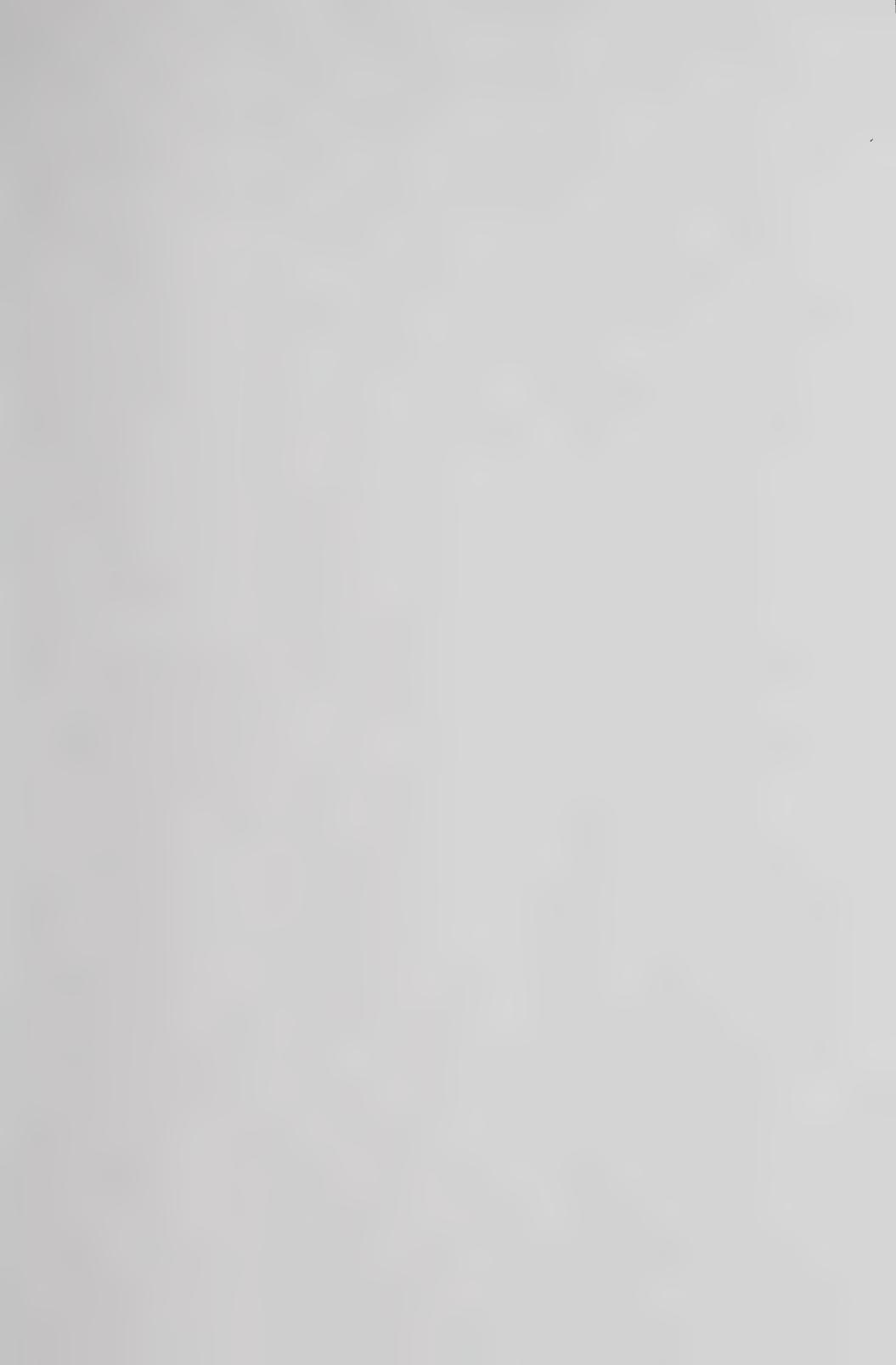
Given under our hand, this Nineteenth day of February, A. D., 1947. A true copy attest:

Constable of Searsmont.

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER  
MAYNARD R. MARRINER  
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Selectmen of Searsmont













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